

# WEATHER FORECAST

For 24 hours ending 6 p.m. Friday:  
Victoria and vicinity—Southerly  
winds, unsettled and mild, with rain.

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# SCAPA FLOW DISCUSSION AT PARIS TO-DAY

## YOUTH CLAIMS HE HAS TAPPED ELECTRICITY RESERVOIR OF EARTH

**Nineteen-Year-Old Seattle Youth Calls His  
Invention "Atmospheric Power Gener-  
ator"; Professor Backs Him Up**

Seattle, Dec. 17.—Nearly every electrical expert in Seattle to-day plans to examine a machine invented by Alfred Hubbard, a nineteen-year-old boy, which the inventor claims generates electrical power from the air and can be operated indefinitely without the application of other sources of energy. Several electricians have witnessed demonstrations, and although they can not explain the principle upon which it works, they are certain it is not a fraud or hoax.

Rev. Father William E. Smith, Professor of Physics at Seattle College, who examined the machine, declared he thought it a practical working device, destined to take the place of all existing power generators.

"I unhesitatingly say that within a few years Hubbard's invention will have advanced the whole theory and practice of electricity beyond the dreams of present day scientists," Father Smith declared. "The boy has stumbled on a principle of electricity never believed to exist."

Trained scientists would have rejected the theory without experiment, the priest said, while Hubbard, unlearned in the higher realms of physics, worked unceasingly at the problem and by sheer accident discovered the solution.

**Uproar Theories.**  
"I am not at liberty even to intimated the basic principle of the device," said Father Smith. "I am not sure I understand its operation, except in a general way, but I have sufficient information to know that it is sure to upset some of the firmly established theories of science."

Apparently the device contradicts the foundation principle of all science—the conservation of energy. Actually this is not the case. The little college student believes, although he admits that he has not fully reconciled the phenomenon involved by the Hubbard invention.

Not Afraid, He Says.

"I will say this much," said Father Smith, "that the invention is not a hoax or a fraud. It is past the purely experimental stage and while I anticipate great future developments, it is now a practical working device. It does not derive power from an outside source. Hubbard's theory that it utilizes atmospheric lines of force is erroneous. On the other hand it is not a storage mechanism. In fact it does not simply hold on to the future use and energy poured into it as water is poured into a pitcher. The apparatus discharges power stored in it during its building. I cannot say more than this at this time, and I will not say that this explanation is entirely accurate."

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## SERIOUS EPIDEMIC IS NOT PROBABLE

**Provincial Health Board Has  
Acted on Question of So-  
called Sleeping Sickness**

There is no anticipation among health authorities that any serious epidemic of so-called "sleeping sickness" will occur in Canada, according to Dr. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary, who has charge of the Provincial Public Health Department. So far, Doctor MacLean told a Times representative this morning, there have been few fatalities and reassuring information on the subject has come from the Dominion Department of Public Health.

"Some few months ago," the Doctor observed, "occasional references were made in the press to unusual cases of an illness in which stupor and coma were the predominant features. The papers gave this malady the name of 'sleeping sickness,' thus causing a good deal of confusion and leading many people to the erroneous conclusion that this was the 'sleeping sickness' so prevalent in Western and Central Africa and which our fellow-townsmen, Dr. Todd, studied so thoroughly. As a matter of fact, the present illness is entirely different from the 'sleeping sickness' of Africa."

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## BRITISH STEAMSHIP SOUTH OF HALIFAX CALLS FOR AID

Halifax, Dec. 17.—A radio message was received here from the British steamship Manchester Hero, reporting that she was in distress sixty miles south of Halifax. The Manchester Hero, bound from Manchester to St. John, N. B., gave her exact position as latitude 44.15 north; longitude 64.14 west.

## EARTH GETS ALONG WITHOUT BUMPS WHICH WERE FORETOLD

New York, Dec. 17.—Astonishment was expressed by the superstitious when the earth did not come to an end to-day.

The ominous position of the planets had been well pressed—agitated and some astrologers and persons versed in witchcraft had maintained that at the precise moment when the major leaguers of the solar system formed themselves in a straight line with Neptune, Saturn, Jupiter, Mars, Venus and Mercury on one side of the sun and Uranus on the other, the earth, which had moved four or five solar paces to the front of the line, would behave like the one-horse shay.

Scientists had scoffed at the idea, but superstitious ones recalled having lighted three cigarettes with one match or having walked under a ladder, or having done in recent historic times one of the thousand and one other things known far and wide as omens of evil days.

**Wanted Holiday.**  
Students in Porto Rico are reported to have been so unfavorably impressed with their chance for continuing life yesterday that they asked for a holiday to prepare for the worst. Harold Jacoby, Professor of Astronomy at Columbia University, intimated that their actions might have been due to the desire of youth everywhere to have a holiday. He and many other scientists maintained that the effect on the earth of the planetary alignment would be nil.

**Predicted Before.**  
Astrologers have predicted the end of the world on somewhat similar occasions for centuries. As early as 1188 the world was said to be threatened "cataclysm." Disappointment at the escape did not prevent Steffler from predicting a universal deluge for the year 1524—a year, as it turned out, which was distinguished for drought.

Mother Shipton, "witch" of Tudor times, was credited with being equally sure that 600 years after her time—1811 to be exact—the world would come to an end. The prediction caused much agitation in England when the date she set arrived. Thousands of persons deserted their homes and went into the fields to await annihilation.

**Even the Hour.**  
Various religious cults have made a specialty in more recent years of specifying an hour as the earth's last and setting forth Scriptural or pseudo scientific arguments in support of their contentions.

Prof. Albert P. Poria, a meteorologist, is given credit for first thinking up to-day's catastrophe.

**False Alarm.**  
Indianapolis, Dec. 16.—One long wail, shrieking whistle; then others less strident, and finally all the sirens in the city mingled with the ringing of a number of bells, broke the stillness of the early morning in Indianapolis to-day. This was followed by a continual jangling of telephone bells in the local newspaper offices.

"I guess it's notice of the end of the world," said one woman tremulously. "The whistles are calling the people to church, and I'm going."

It developed later that a throttle on a whistle at the railroad roundhouse was stuck.

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## MURDER COMMITTED AT CAMP NEAR PRINCETON

A telegram received this morning by Superintendent of Provincial Police McMynn, from Chief Constable Fraser, of Greenwood, contained the information that a murder had been committed at a camp near Princeton. No details were given, beyond the fact that the murderer was still at large. Constable Fraser has proceeded to Princeton to investigate.

## Ohio Farmer Had Reserved Seat for End of the World

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 17.—Charles Johnson, sixty-five years old, a farmer living at West Salem, was in Cleveland to-day with a reserved seat ticket so as to be in the front row when the world came to an end. After going to a house where the "beginning of the end" was to be staged and finding that none there had even heard the end, was at hand, Johnson complained to the police.

"The men came to me last Saturday and sold me a reserved seat for \$15," he said. "They told me all the members of my religious belief were to wait for the end in Cleveland."

## UNITED FARMERS TO ESTABLISH PAPER

Weekly to Strengthen Movement in the Maritime Provinces

Moncton, N. B., Dec. 17.—Further evidence of the intention of the United Farmers to strengthen their organization throughout the length and breadth of the Maritime Provinces is furnished by the announcement to-day that on April 1 next a new weekly paper, to be called The United Farmer, will be published at Moncton as the official organ of the United Farmers of the Maritime Provinces.

George F. Chipman will be managing director and G. G. Archibald editor, and the paper will be published in conjunction with The Grain Growers' Guide of Winnipeg. The new paper will be owned jointly by the United Fruit Company of Nova Scotia, the United Farmers' Co-operative Company of New Brunswick and the United Grain Growers, Ltd. of Winnipeg.

Hon. T. A. Cresser left here yesterday for Toronto.

## MINERS STAYED ON SURFACE TO AWAIT END OF THE WORLD

Miami, Oklahoma Dec. 17.—Several mines in the Miami zinc and lead fields are closed to-day because the miners refused to go down into the ground with the prospect of the world crumbling to pieces while they were at work.

## ROTARY CHRISTMAS TREE FUND

Amount previously acknowledged	
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Mrs. H. M. Middleton	5 00
A. P. Moore	1 00
Mrs. Burge	5 00
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Empress of Asia	1 00
Anonymous	1 00
Walter A. Comrades of	2 50
Green	2 50
H. Anderson	5 00
H. Q. Staff M.D. 11	55 00
Marjorie Kent	5 00
G. E. H. and B. M.	2 00
Anonymous	1 00
Island Exchange	5 00
P. W. Nolte	10 00
Brackman & Keer Milling	20 00
Company	2 00
L. E. Maas	2 00
Ladies of New Thought	11 00
Sewing Club	1 00
Two B's	1 00
Some members Bank of	10 00
Montreal Staff	10 00
Mitchell & Duncan	10 00
F. W. B.	5 00
Little Girl	50
Little Boy	50
And	1 00
Klwanis Club	50 00
V. Bartholomew	2 00
Friend	1 00
H. Harris	2 00
Jeeves and Lamb	5 00
Nasalmid	1 00
T. Duncan	1 00
J. Bartholomew & Sons	5 00
Maynard & Sons	10 00
G. H. Pledger	2 00
Friend	1 00
Well-wisher	1 00
Calgary	1 00
C. P. Bevan	1 00
Nemo	1 00
Leslie and Dorothy Jeeves	1 00
E. V. Williams	1 00
I. M. Nodak	2 00
Allen Jeeves, Sr.	2 00
A. J. Maynard	2 00
Total	\$2,622 75

## GOVERNMENT LOSES BIG TRADE FIGHT

Judge Rules Against British Government's Importation Prohibition Plan

Holds Cabinet Has No Power to Bar Certain Goods

London, Dec. 17.—The Government was declared to-day by Mr. Justice Sankey, of the King's Bench Division, to possess no power to prohibit importation of certain goods, and therefore its proclamation to this effect was invalid and illegal. The judgment is considered one of the most important ever rendered against the Government.

The case in which the decision was given concerned the importation of pyrogallol acid from the United States, which was seized on its arrival.

## R. B. RUSSELL IS HEARD AT WINNIPEG

Man Charged With Conspiracy Goes on Stand and Testifies

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—R. B. Russell, charged with sedition, conspiracy and committing a common nuisance, took the stand this morning as the first witness in his own defence. He appeared haggard, with signs of nervous strain and worry plainly evident, but he did not take advantage of Mr. Justice Metcalfe's permission to sit down.

Replying to questions by J. E. Bird, defence counsel, Russell said he was born in Scotland thirty-one years ago and had lived in Canada nine years, all of which had been spent in Winnipeg. He then described his activities in various official positions in the Machinists' Union and his attendance at numerous conventions.

**Prolonged Debate.**

Mr. Bird stated that he wished to put in the preamble of the machinists' organization and a prolonged debate followed between opposing counsel as to its pertinency, the defence stating that they wished to show that the accused was a true trades union man, and the Crown contending that the trades unions were not being tried for sedition.

A. J. Andrews, Crown counsel, said he had no doubt that the machinists' constitution was perfectly legal, but the matter was irrelevant, as the machinists had not started the strike.

Mr. Bird said he proposed to show that they did start the strike, and not the One Big Union, but Mr. Justice Metcalfe said he did not think that the starting of the industrial upheaval could be traced to the machinists.

**Open to Socialists.**

Mr. Bird proceeded to read part of the constitution of this association, which states that it is open to all Socialists who endorse its platform and are not affiliated with any other political organizations. The aims of the association, as outlined, are the establishment of a Socialist state where land and capital would be held by the community and administered for the benefit of all.

## RAILWAYMEN ROUNDED UP BY SINN FEINERS IN CORK

Cork, Dec. 17.—Two hundred Sinn Feiners raided the Cork Railway Terminus at midnight, masked men holding up the employees at the point of revolvers. The clerks were driven from their offices and the engineers and firemen from their locomotives. Signalmen were forced to quit their shelters and all the railwaymen thus rounded up were kept prisoners in a warehouse for an hour. The terminus is only 200 yards from the principal police station but the raid passed unnoticed by the police officials.

It is believed that the raiders were seeking a consignment of ammunition intended for the coast forts.

## GERMAN AGENTS TRY TO HAVE REPARATION DEMANDS CUT DOWN

**Hold Another Conference With Allied Experts on Question of Payment for Warships Sent to Bottom at Scapa Flow**

Paris, Dec. 17.—The Allied and German naval experts will meet again this afternoon to discuss the Scapa Flow question. The Germans are semi-officially reported as having first asked a reduction in the quantity of the dock material demanded by the Allies and to have made a second proposition to the effect that they should deliver to the Allies units of shipping construction now under way instead of the material referred to in the protocol.

Paris, Dec. 17.—German claims in connection with settlement of details of peace treaty terms were again before the Supreme Council to-day. In dealing with these the Council reached a unanimous agreement to permit the Germans to collect their customs duties in gold.

In further discussion of the

question of compensation for the sinking of the German warships at Scapa Flow, a discrepancy was developed between the estimates of the Reparations Commission and those of the German experts regarding the total of mercantile tonnage and floating docks available for reparations purposes at German ports. This discrepancy amounted to about 100,000 tons.

**\$70,000,000 Worth of Food From Allies to Needy Austria**  
Paris, Dec. 17.—After further consideration to-day of Austria's requirements for the relief of her distressing food conditions, the Supreme Council decided that it would be necessary to furnish relief to the amount of \$70,000,000 at least, to go forward at the rate of \$5,000,000 monthly. Relief was expressed by the Austrian delegation that the total sum necessary would reach \$199,000,000, which was the amount Chancellor Renner yesterday asked the Council to loan to Austria.

## MORE PRODUCTION WOULD CUT COSTS

**U. S. Attorney-General Tells How Cost of Living Can Be Reduced**

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Ten per cent. more production would cut twenty per cent. from the present cost of living in the United States; and a ten per cent. reduction of buying of unnecessary would lop off another twenty per cent., according to Attorney-General Palmer, here from Washington in connection with the campaign against the high cost of living.

"The country needs to quit fighting and get to work on a maximum production," said the Attorney-General.

**Purchasing Bureau.**

New York, Dec. 17.—Restauranters of New York have decided to combat the high cost of living by opening a central purchasing bureau, through which they will be able to buy thousands of tons of foodstuffs, each week. They also have decided to establish on January 1 a central employment agency for the city's 5,000 hotels, restaurants and lunchrooms. They also will operate a co-operative laundry.

In order to make up for the losses occasioned by prohibition, so they said, restaurant owners also decided to increase their prices ten per cent. beginning January 1. Increased cost.

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## CUBA MAY GET KENTUCKY WHISKY

**39,000,000 Gallons Must Be Shipped Out Before January 16**

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 17.—A way out apparently has been found for distillers caught with large stocks of liquor on hand by the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States holding war-time prohibition constitutional. It contemplates immediate shipment of the liquor stocks in Kentucky, estimated at 39,000,000 gallons in bonded warehouses, largely to Cuban ports for storage and subsequent re-sale in Cuba or shipment to other foreign countries.

The freedom of southern ports from ice, their adequate storage facilities pending long on board ship and the large number of steamships operating to the island are pointed out as evidence that with the railroads and the United States Shipping Board co-operating, the whiskey stocks can be moved before January 16, the time limit the Internal Revenue Department has placed on shipment.

## WHERE TO GO TO-NIGHT

Royal Victoria—The Valley of Night.  
Pantages—Vaudeville.  
D'Oyly Carte—The Women They Gave Me.  
Variety—Cannibals at the South Sea.  
Columbia—The Unpardonable Sin.  
Romano—The Ace in the Saddle.

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FANCY CLUSTER TABLE RAISINS—1-lb. box.....	35c	FINE NEW CHEST NUTS—Per lb.....	40c
SHELLED ALMONDS—Per lb.....	80c	CLARK'S BEEF SUET—Per tin.....	50c
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FANCY MIXED BISCUITS—Large tin.....	\$1.25	FRUIT WINE—All kinds. Per bottle.....	50c
CHRISTIE'S FRUIT CAKES—Per tin, \$1.10 and.....	60c	LANG'S GRAPEFRUIT MARMA LADE—Four's, per tin.....	\$1.00
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## WILL TRY TO FLY AROUND THE WORLD

Aviator Plans to Leave San Francisco During January

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—G. M. Gordon, a Portland aviator, announced here today that he proposed to start from San Francisco before February in an attempt to fly around the world. He said he would use a seaplane of the type in which Commander Head and his crew crossed the Atlantic last summer. Honolulu would be his first stop, he said, and his route from there would be via Japan, Hongkong, Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Aden and Port Said, across the Mediterranean to Lisbon, a side trip to Paris and London and back, and then across the Atlantic via the Azores to New York, thence to Central America and home by way of San Diego.

Wrong impression. Washington, Dec. 17.—Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard, the "flying parson," declared last night in a formal statement that his recent statement concerning the effects of alcoholism on aviators, which was issued through the Anti-Saloon League, had been "juggled" until it had left a false impression and had erroneously attributed his remarks as applying to aviators participating in the transcontinental reliability test.

## GERMAN DELIVERIES UNDER THE TREATY

London, Dec. 17.—Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, Secretary for War, announced yesterday that the Germans had handed over to the Allies 5,000 guns, 25,000 machine guns, 3,000 trench mortars and 1,700 aeroplanes. They had still failed to deliver 42 locomotives and 4,750 railway trucks. The Secretary considered that the Germans had made a tremendous effort to comply with the conditions imposed upon them.

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## FREEMAN'S JOURNAL SUES GOVERNMENT OF GREAT BRITAIN

London, Dec. 17.—When T. P. O'Connor moved adjournment of the House of Commons last night on the Freeman's Journal incident, the debate became hampered by the announcement by Rt. Hon. James MacPherson, Chief Secretary for Ireland, that the Freeman's Journal had served a writ on the Government, and he hoped the members would remember that the question was sub-judice.

Mr. O'Connor declared that these acts of provocation in Ireland were the result of a plot to prevent the settlement of the Irish question and reconciliation of the Irish people. He implored the House to realize the tragedy of this "mad policy."

William Adamson, Labor Leader, associating the Labor Party with the motion, declared that while his party had no sympathy with the serious crimes in Ireland, they believed that the Government's frequent resort to methods of repression had a close connection with these crimes.

Mr. O'Connor's motion for adjournment was defeated by 161 to 55.

## TO TAKE PICTURES OF AFRICAN TRIBES

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 17.—H. A. Snow, an Oakland naturalist, accompanied by his son, Sidney Snow, Donald Keyes, a writer, and Frank S. Wilton, a camera man, sailed yesterday from San Francisco to collect big game specimens and film obscure native tribes in Africa and Asia for the Oakland Public Museum. The party expects to be gone two years and to travel 30,000 miles.

## COST OF GOVERNMENT IN BRITAIN DECREASES

London, Dec. 17.—The average daily expenditure of the Government from April 1 to November 29 was reduced to £2,998,000, as compared with more than £7,000,000 during the war.

Freight traffic expenditures were reduced to £50,000,000, as compared with £68,500,000 prior to the war.

## FROM COKE.

London, Dec. 17.—It has been announced at Middlesbrough that a Cleveland engineer has succeeded in extracting commercial alcohol and its derivatives from coke.

It is claimed that if the process, which requires the use of gas, is applied to all the coal carbonized in Great Britain, an estimated yield of 50,000,000 gallons of motor spirits will be obtained annually, revolutionizing the supply and cost of liquid fuel.

## PILES

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## EXCHANGE RATE TO BE DISCUSSED AT MONTREAL MEETING

Montreal, Dec. 17.—The Minister of Finance, Sir Henry Drayton, will meet a committee of members of the Montreal Stock Exchange and Board of Trade on Friday in reference to the exchange rate with the United States. It is feared in some quarters in Montreal that the exchange rate may yet go to twenty-five per cent. unless steps are taken to rectify the conditions which now exist.

## A WAR LAWSUIT AT OAKLAND, CAL.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 17.—Dynamite caps and bombs were placed underneath a wharf of the Hanlon Drydock and Shipbuilding Company during the war in an attempt to blow up the yards and delay shipbuilding, according to testimony given yesterday by Daniel Hanlon, president of the company, in a suit brought by E. F. Korkman for damages for false arrest. Korkman declared he was imprisoned twenty-five hours and then released without any charge being made against him. Hanlon said he caused the arrest because Korkman was causing trouble in the yards, and his statements regarding the dynamite were made in an attempt to show the war-time necessity for precautions being taken.

## WINNIPEG MOTOR CAR KILLED A CHILD

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—Louise Dalstrom, six years old, died last night from the effects of injuries received when she was knocked down and run over by an automobile driven by an unknown driver at excessive speed. Although a lamp and the windshield were smashed as a result of the contact, the automobile did not stop but sped out of sight.

## ITALIAN COLONIAL BODY IS FORMED

Rome, Dec. 17.—The Italian Colonial Institute is promoting an organization in Rome to represent the colonies. It is reported that delegates are to be elected by the colonies to discuss needs, complaints and aspirations of Italians abroad and present reports or resolutions to the Government or Parliament.

## NOTHING LIKE IT FOR BRONCHITIS AND WEAK THROAT

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## A MONTANA DEATH.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 17.—Thomas Baker, aged eighty-two, editor of the first daily newspaper published in Montana, The Montana Post, issued in Virginia City in 1888, died here last night. He was born in London.

## NOT GUILTY.

Sherbrooke, Que., Dec. 17.—Clark Cameron, Winnipeg, was freed of a charge of manslaughter yesterday afternoon in connection with an automobile accident on June 24 in which a woman was killed.

## KILLED BY FALL.

Galt, Ont., Dec. 17.—Mrs. Walter Proudfoot, a widow, aged seventy-nine, tripped as she was descending the stairs in her home here, and fell headlong. Her skull was fractured and she died instantly.

## PADEREWSKI WILL TAKE LONG REST

London, Dec. 17.—The resignation of Ignace Jan Paderewski as Premier of Poland was the outcome of administrative difficulties.

During his occupation of the Premiership, M. Paderewski was declared to have shone more as a statesman and negotiator than as an administrator, this being especially apparent in his dealings with the Supreme Council in Paris.

M. Paderewski assumed office at a time when Poland required men of strong administrative capacity to undertake the country's reconstruction after German occupation. It is as a failure to make the progress expected of it, and also that strong hostility to him existed in the Diet.

The understanding here is that he will retire for a long rest to his chateau on Lake Geneva, and that with his departure, M. Pilsudski will become the leading spirit looking to Poland's future.

The new Polish Cabinet is not considered here to be a strong one, but it is thought it may prove a good working combination, representing the general good sense of Poland.

## \$75,000 FIRE IN CITY OF TORONTO

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Fire last evening destroyed the storehouse and stockroom of the Dominion Glass Company here, the loss being estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000. Fifty per cent of the company's stock was wiped out.

As influenza is an exaggerated form of Grip, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets should be taken in larger doses than is prescribed for ordinary Grip. A good plan is not to wait until you are sick, but PREVENT IT by taking LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE Tablets in time.

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### GOVERNOR OF KOREA AND MISSIONARIES

Seoul, Korea, Dec. 16.—Baron Salto, Governor-General of Korea, to-day expressed regret that in a recent interview The Asahi, of Tokyo, quoted him as saying that Christian missionaries were behind the disturbances in Korea, the article containing exaggerations and misinterpretations of what he had said.

The Governor-General declared that he had not said that missionaries together with non-resident malcontents were responsible for the trouble, but that it was the native

pastors, some of whom had been arrested and tried.

Baron Salto reiterated the statement made when he was assuming office that he considered the missionaries his friends and desired to co-operate with them in every way in promoting the welfare of the Korean people and guiding them to greater freedom as they showed capacity for it.

### HIGHER RATES.

London, Dec. 17.—A new schedule of freight rates will be issued in a few days by the Ministry of Transport, according to The Evening News. It will show increases of from twenty to seventy per cent.

From Out the Night  
You Hear the Cry:

## "Oh! Why Can't I Get to Sleep?"

Thousands of people all over the country ask this question, but still continue to toss, night after night, on sleepless beds, or walk the bedroom floor until near dawn. Their eyes do not close in the sweet and refreshing repose that comes to those whose heart and nerves are right. Worry or disease has so debilitated and irritated the nervous system that it cannot be quieted. Or, again, there is palpitation of the heart, the sleep is broken by terrible dreams, you wake up with smothering spells, sinking sensations and a fear of impending death.

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### ART TREASURES OF AUSTRIA IN EXCHANGE FOR FOOD

Paris, Dec. 17.—The art treasures of Austria, like the famous Mona Lisa and other paintings and sculptures brought to France by Napoleon, will be taken as security by the Allies in exchange for food and coal which are to be sent at once to the famine-stricken republic. It has been decided to send an Inter-Allied commission, composed of art experts, to value the fine works of art in the Vienna museums and art galleries, although authorities like M. Koechlin, of the Louvre, who is to head the French delegation, believe it will be practically impossible to value some of the paintings because they are priceless.

Vienna will have bread for Christmas. It is hoped as a result of the measures taken yesterday by the Supreme Council for the relief of Austria.

### FIREMEN'S UNION OPPOSED BY MAYOR

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—Mayor Rolph informed representatives of local labor organizations who called on him yesterday to learn his attitude toward a recent ruling of the Fire Commissioners forbidding the firemen to organize a union, that he considered the men in the fire and police departments to be on the same footing as soldiers and that they should not form unions which might necessitate their striking in order to enforce their demands.

### SWEET CIDER AS NEW YEAR DRINK

New York, Dec. 17.—New Yorkers who in years past have each New Year, with the popping of corks from champagne bottles and attendant festivities in the "White Lights" district hotels and restaurants, will drink to the health of 1920 with sweet cider. Many of the city's leading hotels to-day commenced laying in plentiful supplies of this "prohibition tipple."

### NO BRITISH TROOPS KILLED IN PERSIA

London, Dec. 17.—The India Office, in response to an inquiry by The Daily Mail, emphatically denied the Bolshevik report of wiping out of 1,500 British troops comprising the garrison of the town of Meshed, Persia, by the population.

### UNITED STATES RAILROAD BILL

Washington, Dec. 17.—The Senate to-day continued consideration of the Cummins Railroad Bill, which is designed to meet the requirements of the railroads when they are returned to private control. Amendments were up for discussion and prospects for final action on the bill before the Christmas recess practically vanished.

### K. F. DUNCAN, M.P.P., HAS COMMITTEE

Cowichan Member and Advisory Committee Will Work Together

Duncan, Dec. 17.—The last of the meetings arranged by the election committee of K. F. Duncan, M.P.P., to choose members for his District Advisory Committee, was held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Duncan, with A. H. Peterson in the chair. The following gentlemen also were on the platform: H. F. Prevost, W. Paterson, J. Ruscombe-Poole, R. C. Rawlett, E. M. Cooke, C. G. Grant, S. J. Heald, J. E. Burnett, H. W. Bevan and H. B. Wingate-White.

Mr. White, of Cobble Hill, spoke of the revolution in the political life of Cowichan, shown by the purpose of the present gathering, which was to make the country a real democracy with the representative the real mouthpiece of the people, and not of any one section.

Definite Platform.

Mr. Duncan stated that his committee had laid down a very definite platform for him, one of the chief planks of which was the appointment of an Advisory Committee to represent every section of the electorate. This was being done on the last meeting for the purpose of electing this body was the present one.

In the past, by party politics, a few leaders had formulated the policies which were approved by the parties, but by the plan of advisory committee direct legislation would be attained, for the policy must rise from the people to the Government, and not as formerly, come from the Government to the people. He explained the initiative and referendum and the fields that might be so covered under the British North America Act. Another system—proportional representation—also was made clear by the speaker.

A Check.

The Advisory Committee would be a perpetual check upon the member, and Mr. Duncan had already found its usefulness in making known the state of affairs in different parts of the district. The committee, meeting from time to time, could lay down a platform that could be modified.

The work that should be undertaken by a district representative who would devote his whole time to practical agricultural instruction, in the known improvements in agriculture, also was included in Mr. Duncan's programme. Theoretical education, unless followed up by demonstration, was of little use, Mr. Duncan held. Cowichan had been the first section to advance this idea in British Columbia and the movement was one that would affect the whole Province.

During the sessions of the Legislature, Mr. Duncan asserted, his Advisory Committee would be of infinite value, not only in presenting local needs and problems, but in advancing help for legislation that might come.

T. Pitt Chosen.

The meeting was then thrown open to choose an advisory member for Duncan, and Thomas Pitt was unanimously chosen.

The complete list of the ten members of Mr. Duncan's Advisory Committee are the Rev. E. M. Cook, Chairman; W. R. C. Wright, Somers; E. H. Grant, Cowichan Lake; C. G. Grant, Glenora; J. E. Burnett, Cowichan Station; P. Barry, Cobble Hill; W. Robinson, Saltham; E. H. Forest, Cowichan Beach; S. J. Heald, Shawnigan.

Programme.

A pleasant programme of music arranged by W. A. Willett—interspersed with serious business of the evening, H. J. Ruscombe-Poole, W. Hopkins and Miss C. Paterson taking part. A delicious supper of sandwiches, cakes and coffee was arranged on tables around the room.

About 150 ladies and gentlemen were present and old-time politicians of different parties considered the gathering unique in many ways.

Property Change.

H. C. Mann has purchased the house and two and a half acres belonging to Mrs. F. Flint, on Marchmont Road, Duncan, and will remove there at once. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cochrane, who lived there, have just taken a place on the Esquimalt Road near Victoria.

### BOLSHEVIKI CLAIM SUCCESS IN SIBERIA

London, Dec. 17.—A Moscow Bolshevik wireless message received here yesterday afternoon reported the capture of Darnaul, in Siberia, 25 miles Southwest of Tomsk, by Bolsheviks.

Another wireless from Moscow claimed that the Reds had captured 1,500 prisoners when they took the town of Katsayk, in Trans-Caspia. The report, in making the announcement, said that the "prisoners themselves murdered their officers."

Still another communication declared that the Reds took many prisoners in the suburbs of Kiev, where the Bolsheviks crushed the enemy.

Copenhagen, Dec. 16.—Via London, Dec. 17.—With reference to Premier Lloyd George's pronouncement that the Bolsheviks must make peace with General Denikin and Admiral Kolchak before they can make peace with the Allies, Litvinoff, Russian Soviet representative here, says that the proposals made to the American, William C. Bullitt, were practically an offer for peace with the enemy revolutionists. The Soviet Government, he says, has no intention of proposing peace directly to Kolchak and Denikin.

### KENNEDY GAINED FIFTEEN POUNDS

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"I tried different kinds of medicine, but instead of getting better my condition was growing worse and worse all the time until I read about Tanlac and started taking it. From the very first I could see a change, and now I have taken three bottles, and my improvement has been so rapid I just can't remember the day when I have ever felt better. The pains in my arms and shoulders have disappeared altogether, and I am able to work as good as I ever could, and without being troubled in any way. My appetite is fine, everything I eat agrees with me perfectly, and, as I said, I have added fifteen pounds to my weight. My blood is in good condition, and as I am in so much better health I am recommending Tanlac to all my friends for I can say it is absolutely the best medicine I have ever heard of."

Tanlac is sold in Victoria by D. E. Campbell, corner Fort and Douglas-Avts.

### NEWSPRINT PAPER FIGHT IN STATES

Washington, Dec. 17.—Charles L. Pack, president of the American Forestry Association, in a formal statement to-day urged the passage of the Pointeclair Bill providing for a survey of the pulp wood timberlands in the Northwest with a view to relieving the newsprint situation.

"Every publisher in the land," he said, "should get behind this measure, for it will mean releasing the strangle hold in which the newsprint situation now has him. Hundreds of the smaller papers have had to go out of business on account of the increase in the cost of paper."

### The Plague of Pimples Body Covered With Them

The primary cause of pimples arises from the blood not being in a good condition. When the blood becomes impure you will find that pimples will break out all over the body, but particularly on the forehead, nose and chin, and although they are not a dangerous trouble they are very unsightly. What you need when pimples or boils break out is a real good blood purifying medicine such as Burdock Blood Bitters.

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### IS INDIFFERENT.

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Lord Grey de Ruthyn, who has come to Canada to look over his farm interests in Saskatchewan and British Columbia, in an interview here yesterday, expressed indifference as to whether the title lapsed or not at his death. The title is several centuries old.

For The Sick

Place One Level Teaspoonful of GROVER'S O-PEN-THREAT SALVE in a hot saucer in the sick room. The Anesthetic Vapor rising from the heated salve circulates in the air and makes breathing easy for the patient. It induces sleep and is a great comfort to anyone suffering with Spasmodic Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Croup, Colds, Whooping Cough, Diphtheria or Pneumonia. The Healing Effect of the Vapor soothes the patient and is very comforting. Price 25c. per box. If your druggist has it, say "and 5c. in postage stamps to Paria Medicine Co., 155 Spadina Ave., Toronto, and a full-size box will be mailed to you promptly."

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Real Madeira Hand-Embroidered Handkerchiefs, very pretty designs. Special, at ..... 90c

Dainty Handkerchiefs, all white and colored edges, with embroidered corners. At ..... 35c

Lace-Trimmed Handkerchiefs, with Val- and Venice lace edgings. Special, at 20c, 35c, 60c, 75c and ..... 90c



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### Gift Umbrellas at \$3.90 to \$15.00

Gift Umbrellas, featuring novelty handles and shorter handles. Celluloid bracelets and wrist cords attached to many handles give an effective finish and provide an easy way to carry the umbrella. Black and colors. Prices range \$3.90 to ..... \$15.00



### Dainty Gift Neckwear

Many women will choose Christmas remembrances from this showing of beautiful holiday neckwear. Every conceivable style of collar and vest will be found in this display and at prices that will prove most interesting.

Heavy Quality Silk Crepe de Chine Windsor Ties, all colors. At ..... \$1.25

### Natural Chamolite Gloves

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## Women's Silk Stockings

Featuring the Best Makes and Best Values Obtainable

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"Luxite" Silk Stockings, heavy quality, ribbed tops, black, white and colors. At per pair ..... \$1.75

"Venus" Pure Silk Thread stockings, black and colors, splendid wearing. At per pair ..... \$2.00

Drop-Stitch Silk Hosiery, black only. At per pair ..... \$3.25

Very Fine Silk Thread Stockings, black, white, navy and grey. At per pair ..... \$2.50

Extra Quality Black Silk Stockings, wearing parts reinforced. At per pair ..... \$3.50

Fancy Lace Stitch Hosiery, in black, navy, grey, cordovan. At per pair ..... \$2.50

Lace Stitch Silk Hosiery, black, navy and pearl. At per pair ..... \$3.25

High-Grade Pure Silk Stockings, black, white, navy, grey, silver, champagne and Russia calf. At per pair ..... \$4.50



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## FUND TO CLOSE SOON.

Subscription lists for the Rotary Club Christmas Tree Fund soon will be closed, because some days will be required by the Club to purchase the things needed by those on its list, the children among whom alone number nearly eight hundred. Although the public response to the Club's appeal this year considerably exceeds that of any other occasion the need to be supplied is much greater and more pressing than at any other time. There are more cases of actual hardship this year than have been recorded for a long period in this community, and food and clothing will have a very full representation among the articles to be purchased out of the fund. It is impossible to overdo the fund. Every contribution will have its part in bringing Christmas cheer to those whom fortune has overlooked at this time.

## NEW ZEALAND AND SAMOA.

Fate plays strange pranks with nations as with individuals. The Rt Hon. W. F. Massey, Prime Minister of New Zealand, has been forced into a policy favorable to indentured labor in Samoa. The occasion for this is the gradual transference of the administration of the Islands, acquired under the Treaty of Versailles, from a military to a civil character. Mr. Massey also is conducting a sharp political campaign for re-election, and the conjunction of such conditions cannot fail to be of capital to his opponents.

During the war the supply of indentured labor fell off owing to the impossibility of transporting laborers from Polynesia and China, so the Chinese already on the scene were allowed to renew their indentures. Now they want to go home, and planters state that even with the normal movement of laborers it will be five years before the supply can equal pre-war demands. A Government statement on this development says:

"There are two principal points which the Government desires to emphasize: (a) That when the occupying force took Samoa there were about 3,000 Chinese and Kanaka indentured laborers at work on the plantations there, and that at the present time there are less than 1,000 of these laborers; and (b) that the electors of New Zealand must clearly understand that, for at least a generation to come, and until the Samoans can themselves be educated up to the necessity to work, a reasonable supply of imported labor is an absolute essential for the maintenance and proper development of the plantations."

During the military occupation a genuine attempt was made to train the native Samoans to work, but judging by results, they have made little progress in that direction since the days of R. L. Stevenson. So the civil administration of the country is forced to face the system which has been so roundly condemned in Australia and New Zealand. Thus New Zealand, itself pledged to be a white man's country, has the problem of indentured labor to face in its first dependency.

## PLOTING WITH THE AFGHANS.

It is suggested in a Geneva dispatch that a tacit understanding has been reached between Nikolai Lenine and an Afghan delegation who recently were in conference in Moscow, while the Ukrainian press bureau at Berne reports that the Afghans were so impressed with the conference that they expressed the hope that Bolshevism would spread to their country. Their desire to see the Amir's Government transferred into a republic under Russian soviet protection, however, may weaken Amanuella Khan's otherwise keen desire to rid himself and his countrymen of British influence.

The new Amir is completely absorbed by his own vanity and no match for Lenine. His understanding of affairs in the outside world is based, to a large extent, upon such creeds as have been preached to him by German and Bolshevik missionaries. From the very fact that an Afghan delegation has conferred with Lenine at Moscow, however, it may be gathered that the peaceful influence of the late Habibullah Khan already is forgotten by the tribesmen. The chief point of interest in connection with the Moscow conference lies in the fact that Afghanistan is an avenue through which disturbing elements may pass to India, and it is small wonder that the authorities in London are keeping close tab on any development that may again throw the north-west frontier into dangerous turmoil.

## OF REAL VALUE.

Apart from its representations on the subject of shipbuilding at this port, the deputation which reached Ottawa to-day has an opportunity of making a shrewd stroke for the development of Vancouver Island. It should press for a diversion of several millions of that unemployment relief fund to road building on the Island, to cover a programme including the extension of the main highway northward from Campbell River and opening communications to districts which lend themselves to settlement and industrial development. For example, the extension of the highway to Sayward District with its 40,000 acres of rich farming land would be a most profitable thing for the whole island; the improvement of our communications with the West Coast would be

another valuable work. Indeed, the benefits in numerous ways that would arise from such a policy would be inestimable, determining many aspects of the future of the Island. They would be manifesting themselves to the profit of the various communities long after temporary expedients designed for purely relief purposes were forgotten. The mere spending of money by Governments in itself may mean little or nothing for the permanent good of a country. What counts is the way the money is spent.

## LABOR AND FREE SPEECH.

When Colonel John Ward, the navy's member of Parliament, attempted to enter into the debate on the British Government's attitude towards Russia his colleagues taking part in the Trades Union Congress, now in session in London, hissed and hooted him to such an extent that James Henry Thomas was forced to appeal for freedom of speech.

John Ward still holds his union card. The only difference between him and his mates as far as Russian conditions are concerned is his knowledge—gained by personal contact—of Bolshevism in operation. His mates merely have been spoon fed by the Bolshevik missionary whose success in Britain appears to have been limited to the creation of a peculiarly hazy conception of Soviet rule.

The spectacle of a crowd of workmen advocating the opening of peace pourparlers by the British Government with the Russian soviets denying free speech to one of their own fellow-members is typical of the topsy-turvydom in which the world now operates.

## WHEW!

The Regina Leader of December 11 published the following dispatch:

"Vancouver, Dec. 10.—The coldest weather for December on record was registered here during the night and early this morning when at six o'clock this morning the temperature stood at 11 degrees below zero. During the night it was 5 above zero. At Victoria the temperature was 18 below zero with a 32-mile wind blowing. The cold wave is general over British Columbia."

We may be sure that no such message ever was sent out of Vancouver to Regina or anywhere else. The transposition of Coast temperature figures from above zero to below zero evidently was the result either of an inadvertent typographical error, or an attempt by some shivering compositor in The Leader office—who could not realize that there was a place in Canada where the temperature never dropped below zero—to correct what to him was an obvious error in the telegraphed dispatch.

Do your Christmas shopping early. Give the store employees a chance.

Help the Rotary Club Christmas Tree Fund. The lists will be closed shortly.

There are too many people in Victoria who oppose public movements because they did not think of them first. That is village politics.

The Toronto Globe heads a dispatch reporting the robbery of the post office at Port Simpson: "Burglars Rob Post Office in Far North of B. C." The Globe should brush up on its geography.

"A strange disease which is baffling medical and health experts has broken out among the rabbits of Victoria," said a news item in yesterday's Times. Can the malady be race suicide?

Over fifty-four thousand pounds was the price paid for a Romney portrait in London recently. Romney probably received a hundred pounds for it when he painted it. No wonder the Chancellor of the Exchequer looks askance at Premium Bonds and deprecates the gambling spirit abroad in the land!

Lord Northcliffe is still beating the Associated Newspapers tom-tom in an endeavor to blacken Premier Lloyd George's eye. But when the newspaper magnet enthroned the little Welshman he must have put some very adhesive matter on the seat. His erstwhile idol is a stayer.

If there is to be a real attempt to solve the Irish question on the part of the Lloyd George Government it is just as well that the dragnet should be spread over Erin's Isle to catch those to whom the offer of any settlement would be looked upon as a piece of gratuitous effrontery. Two thousand Sinn Feiners are expected to be arrested shortly.

The earth is still doing business at the same old stand. So is the sun. Anyway, Professor Porta managed to create something of a sensation, although it must be admitted that prophecies of the end of the world have lost something of their old-time zest. The public of Victoria are more interested in the doings of that deputation on shipbuilding at Ottawa and in Christmas shopping.

## THE EASTWARD FLOOD.

Distillers in Scotland and Ireland are reported to be alarmed over the importation of many thousands of gallons of American whisky, and are inclined to protest, especially because the imported strong waters can be sold cheaper than the famed domestic articles. They would rather have a return to former conditions, for it used to be that big consignments of Scotch and Irish whiskies and English gins were regularly shipped to this continent. Prohibition in the United States and Canada has reversed things and the flood is now running eastward across the Atlantic. And there are thirty souls on this continent who are convinced that the British people are the lucky ones in the circumstances. It is impossible to please everybody.

## THE CURE FOR WAR.

We must try, not by a miracle, but by a cumulative process, to create the widest possible preference for arbitration over war, and get it recognized as the inevitable means of settling international disputes. Only so will there be developed behind the machinery of the League of Nations the motive power of a living human purpose, capable of altering the current of history.

## SERIOUS EPIDEMIC IS NOT PROBABLE

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"In Europe and the United States sporadic cases of the malady have appeared. Investigation by skilled laboratory workers followed, and the post mortem findings showed a hemorrhagic condition of the brain and an inflammation of the mucous membrane of the nose. As there was some public anxiety beginning to manifest itself, due to press notices, the Provincial Board of Health circulated the following statement: 'The Province, giving a full and up-to-date account of the investigations made both in Europe and in the United States, as well as describing symptoms and treatment. Isolation of patients, too, was advised.' 'The American investigation,' said Dr. MacLean, 'found in a very large proportion of cases the disease was preceded by influenza.' 'There have been few cases reported in Canada. In Winnipeg there have been between twenty-five and thirty cases; in Calgary only a few. In Victoria there has been only one case. Two fatalities in Vancouver have been considered due to the disease. There is no anticipation of a serious epidemic, and reassuring comments have come from the Dominion Department of Public Health.'"

YOUTH CLAIMS HE HAS TAPPED ELECTRICITY RESERVOIR OF EARTH

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"I find no better way of expressing the general idea without divulging what I know of the real operation. Father Smith's experiments, conducted yesterday afternoon, did not include the measurement of the current. Alternating Current. 'I do not wish to make an estimate of the power derived from the machine,' said he. 'It is sufficient that the device I examined discharges electricity in a larger amount in comparison with its size than would be believed possible. The current is an alternating current, but I have no means of telling at this time its cycle of alteration. It is, so far as I now know, constant, in that there is no fluctuation from minute to minute.'"

Father Smith disagrees with Hubbard as to the probable length of time the device will operate without a diminution of the current delivered. 'I hardly think the apparatus will operate indefinitely,' he said. 'Though I cannot place a maximum length of operation at this time. It will, I am satisfied, function without adjustment for an unheard-of period, and, as I believe, be rejuvenated easily and as often as it is discharged after long use.'"

Hubbard calls his invention an "atmospheric power generator." With the apparatus in appearance a small coil of wire about six inches in diameter, surrounding a permanent magnet core eight inches long, the entire contrivance easily carried in a man's hand, Hubbard gave a demonstration yesterday afternoon miles from his laboratory that, regardless of the principles involved, several Seattle engineers declared without parallel in electrical history. Glowed for Hour.

An ordinary incandescent electric light connected with the two terminals of the "atmospheric power generator" glowed to a cherry red for nearly one hour, and Hubbard volunteered to permit the lamp to burn for as many hours as might be necessary to satisfy the most sceptical. The young inventor claims that there are no hidden batteries, storage or primary, and those who witnessed the demonstration were sure that there was no outside connection with any source of power. Hubbard's explanation of the phenomenon is that he has succeeded in transforming the earth's store of magnetic force into electrical energy available for use.

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## EARTH GETS ALONG WITHOUT BUMPS WHICH WERE FORETOLD

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had become stuck, starting the din, in which the other whistles were joined with out knowing exactly why. Cold at Montreal.

Montreal, Dec. 17.—Persons who to-day expected the end of the world with perhaps a shower of fire and brimstone, were puzzled on awakening to find the thermometer registering fifteen degrees below zero. Newspapers received many queries as to whether the cold weather was to be interpreted as the beginning of the end. "Exaggerated."

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—The expected end of the world in this city, where the prophecy was said to have originated, was minus any celebration or other observance. Professor Albert F. Porta, San Francisco meteorologist, from whose deductions on a planet configuration the prophecy was said to have sprung, reports that the prognostications of the world's demise were greatly exaggerated. The rotation of the sun, preventing a pull of the planetary phalanx on any other place in Old Sol's atmosphere for any considerable length of time, would prevent the formation of any sun spot, Professor Porta said.

"Heavy electro-magnetic energies produced by the tension of the planets on the sun would produce a huge sun spot which would in turn cause the cataclysm, but which event is prevented by the sun's rotation, Professor Porta said."

In previous statements Professor

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## JAPANESE CONSIDER ALLIANCE RENEWAL

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ance and the League of Nations, but dissimilarity in form and the methods of attaining the object.

"The form of the existing alliance, as well as its substance, is incompatible with the covenant of the League of Nations.

Great Influence.

"But there can be no doubt that the alliance has for some twenty years had a great influence, both direct and indirect, on the relations between the two nations, and it is not advisable that the alliance, which has this great history, should be abolished as a mere relic of the past. 'It is practicable to continue the alliance if both parties desire it. Even if it should become merely an agreement or a mutual declaration it would be better than nothing.'"

## BORDEN'S COLLEAGUES URGE HIM TO RETAIN HIS POST

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still the outstanding feature of the situation here. That there is much activity behind the scenes is generally known, but just what moves are being made on the board it is practically impossible to ascertain. Sir Robert was at his office again to-day and had a number of callers. The Prime Minister was in conference for some time with Hon. N. W. Rowell.

A Suggestion.

It would appear that there has at no time been any definite authority for the statement that the leadership would be settled at a Unionist caucus to be held early in January? This has been more in the nature of a suggestion and it probably was considered at the Cabinet meeting yesterday. Should Sir Robert Borden yield to the pressure being brought to bear upon him, retain the Premiership for the present and go away for a prolonged rest, Sir George Foster in all probability would be the Acting Prime Minister.

## MORE PRODUCTION WOULD CUT COSTS

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of labor, sugar and laundry were given as other reasons for the higher prices.

Palmer's Plan. Chicago, Dec. 17.—Attorney-General A. Mitchell Palmer's plan for a fight against high living costs to-day was launched in Illinois. He outlined it yesterday to 400 state and city officials and representatives of women's clubs called here by Governor Frank O. Lowden. To-day they returned home to put into practice that part of the campaign possible without further legislation.

Formation of fair price committees in every community and buying by women, who, Mr. Palmer said, represent ninety per cent. of the nation's purchasing power, of nothing but actual necessities, until prices come down were especially stressed by the Attorney-General.

Meetings. Holding of "conservation and economy meetings" in every community, use of influence of mayors and prosecutors to stabilize industrial costs.

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## CLEMENCEAU MUST REMAIN AT HOME FOR SEVERAL DAYS

Paris, Dec. 17.—The condition of Premier Clemenceau was reported to be satisfactory this morning. His physicians, however, ordered him to remain at home for several days. "The doctors' bulletin said: 'The Premier's condition is satisfactory, but he must still take rest.'"

## CAPTURE OF KIEV NOW CLAIMED BY THE BOLSHEVIKI

London, Dec. 17.—Capture of Kiev and occupation of Kupiansk, south-east of Kharkov, are claimed in a Bolshevik statement received from Moscow by wireless to-day.

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J. R. Terry, Chief Poultry Instructor, was judge of the poultry, and Mrs. E. A. Cheetham, the rabbit expert, looked after the other part of the show. Mrs. Cheetham told of the great value of rabbits as meat producers and value of their fur, which is now being used for the most expensive garments.

Mrs. Terry announced that in February boys' and girls' poultry clubs are to be formed at all Victoria public schools.

The prize awards are:

**Fowl.**

1st Division—Silver-laced Wyandotte: First, Sam Smith; second, Jack Coulter.

2nd Division—White Wyandotte: First, Howard Raynor; second, Leonard Campbell; third, Tom Wallace.

3rd Division—White Wyandotte: First, David Lewis.

4th Division—Barred rock: First, Christian Baxter; second, Wilfred Hall.

5th Division—White Leghorn: First, Marjorie Campbell; second, Stanley Rickinson.

6th Division—Dark Cornish game: First, Merrill Hanfield.

7th Division—Black Minorcas: First, David Lewis.

8th Division—Speckled Sussex: First, Ernest Wiggs.

9th Division—Topknots: Second prize, C. Tensen.

10th Division—Bantams: Second, Alex. Stevens.

11th Division—Cross-breeds: First, Tom Wallace; second, John Foyer.

12th Division—Pigeons: Second, Vera Murrant.

13th Division—Ducks: Second, Farnth Ward.

A special prize of a bronze medal from the Department of Agriculture, was awarded to Ernest Wiggs for the best poultry display.

**Rabbits.**

1st Division—A doe and litter: First, Flemish, Victor Brackley; second, Polish, James Stewart.

2nd Division—New Zealand Reds: First, Cecelia Passmore; second, Jack Crossan.

3rd Division—Flemish doe: First and second, Harold Baxter.

4th Division—Angoras: First, Leslie Simmons; second, Gladys Smith.

5th Division—Belgian Hares, bucks: Percy Sullivan; second, Vera Murrant.

7th Division—Belgian hares, young: Special prize, Roland Murphy.

8th Division—Polish hares, bucks: Second prize, Roland Murphy.

**The WEATHER**

Daily Bulletin Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department

Victoria, Dec. 17.—5 a. m.—The barometer remains abnormally low over Northern British Columbia, and heavy rains have been general on the Pacific Slope, while mild weather extends to Alberta.

**Reports.**

Victoria—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 41; wind, 4 miles S; rain, 1.33; weather, raining.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.92; temperature, maximum yesterday, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 6 miles N. E.; rain, 1.44; weather, raining.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.08; temperature, maximum yesterday, 38; minimum, 28; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, cloudy.

Barkerville—Barometer, 29.74; temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; minimum, 27; wind, 4 miles S.; snow, 2.1; weather, snowing.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.34; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 46; wind, calm; rain, .14; weather, cloudy.

Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 28; snow, 5 in.

**Temperature.**

Max. Min.

Tatoosh 48 30

Portland, Ore. 32 30

Seattle 40 30

San Francisco 56 44

Penticton 28

Grand Forks 22

Crabbrook 24

Kaslo 25

Calgary 25

Qu'Appelle 48 26

Winnipeg -10 -22

Toronto 13

Ottawa 18

Montreal 6

St. John 4

Halifax 20

**NOT TAKING RISKS.**

A Scotsman came to London for a holiday. Walking along one of the streets, he noticed a bald-headed chemist standing at his shop-door, and inquired if he had any hair-restorer.

"Yes, sir," said the chemist. "Stop inside, please. Here is an article I can recommend. Testimonials from great men who have used it. It makes the hair grow in twenty-four hours."

"Aweel," said the Scot, "ye can gie the top o' yer head a rub wi' it, and I'll look back in the morn and see if ye're tellin' the truth."

The chemist returned the bottle to the shelf and kicked the errand-boy for laughing.

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Women's Golf Hose—Ribbed, at a pair ..... \$3.75

Women's Cashmere Hose—With white, red and green shot effect, at a pair ..... \$2.50

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## Women's and Children's Christmas Gift Gloves In Fine Qualities

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Women's Fleece-lined Gloves, with fur wrist—In greys and browns, at a pair ..... \$3.50

Women's Glace Kid Gloves—In tan, black, and white, at a pair ..... \$3.00

Women's Chamoisette Gloves—In brown, grey, buck, putty, black, white and self, with black points. At a pair ..... \$1.25

Children's Fleece-lined Gloves—All sizes, at a pair, \$1.50

Children's Capeskin Gloves—Tans only, at a pair, \$1.50 and ..... \$1.75

Children's Woollen Gloves—In navy, grey, brown and white, at a pair ..... \$1.75

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—Staples, Main Floor

## Christmas News From the Candy Department

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## Candy Specials for To-morrow's Selling

Chocolates—Christmas holly boxes. At, a box ..... 75¢

Santa Claus Chocolate Figures—Seventeen for ..... 25¢

—Candies, Lower Main Floor

## Gifts for the Home in the Hardware Section

Carving Sets—Two and three pieces, at special value for gift buyers, at a set, \$4.95, \$5.25, \$6.95, \$7.50, \$8.25, \$11.50 and ..... \$14.75

Fern Dishes—Handsome shapes in antique brass. Regular \$3.50 at, each, \$2.39

Tea Kettles—In nickel plated copper, side filling style. A useful gift. Regular \$3.50, at, each ..... \$2.98

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## Thursday in the Toy Department—Some Splendid Values

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Thirty-One-Inch Faille—At, a yard, \$4.75

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Sunlight Soap, per carton of 4 cakes ..... 27¢

Libby's Asparagus Soup, 3 tins for ..... 24¢

Anchovies in salt, large tins, at ..... 65¢

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## IN WOMAN'S DOMAIN



Mrs. E. M. Love, Craigdarroch Road, returned yesterday afternoon from Vancouver, where she has been the guest of Mrs. Henderson for the past few days.

Madge Elizabeth, the one-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor, of Broughton Street, celebrated her first birthday, December 8 with a party.

Mr. and Mrs. William Armstrong, of Vancouver, announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace Gounance, to Mr. James Chambers, of Victoria. The marriage will take place in the New Year.

To-night at the Patricia Hall, the Great War Veterans' Association will hold a social gathering for members and their friends, when an informal programme of music will be given. The affair will commence at 8 o'clock.

The annual entertainment will be held at the Poplars School on Friday at 2.45 p.m. The Dean of Columbia has promised to preside and Mrs. Scriven has consented to present the certificates gained by the successful candidates in the recent musical examination.

Mrs. W. Wardle, nee Muriel Hall, who recently returned from four years' service in the overseas hospitals, will play a group of pianoforte numbers for the Christmas programme to be given under the auspices of the Ladies' Musical Club at the Empress Hotel to-morrow night. Her many friends will welcome her return to local musical circles.

In the November issue of the Journal of the Royal Astronomical Society appears two articles dealing with the work of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory by Dr. Reynold K. Young, on observations made in Ottawa and here, while H. H. Plaskett, who has since returned to Victoria, deals with a subject which he was studying at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, London.

Complimentary to Miss Gabrielle Pauly, their popular retiring secretary, who is shortly to become a bride, a number of the members of the "J" Unit Chapter I. O. O. E. last night invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Pauly, 2849 Cook Street for a surprise party. Cards, dancing and music were indulged in and shortly before serving a delicious supper by the members, the bride-elect was presented on behalf of the Chapter with a beautiful mahogany table, inlaid with the reproduction of the I. O. O. E. emblem. The handsome gift represented the work of the soldiers' patients at the Esquimalt Hospital, in which institution the "J" Unit Chapter has taken such an especial interest. Miss Pauly will leave on December 24 for Chicago, where her marriage will take place.

The W. A. to the G. W. V. A. held its postponed meeting on Monday evening, Mrs. Ball, president, being in the chair. Comrade Hart addressed the meeting for a few minutes, and Comrade Webb also spoke, inviting the ladies to a social evening to be held in the rooms to-night. Mrs. Hines gave her report on the bazaar, and the ladies were quite gratified over the success of the affair. The emcee was won by

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Miss Palmer, Mrs. Ball drawing the winning number. A special meeting will be held on Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. in connection with the Christmas party being held on Tuesday, December 30.

A wedding of much interest to local friends of the contracting parties took place in Vancouver on Monday, December 15, when the Rev. A. E. Cooke united in marriage Adelbert E. Gumaer and Miss Maude Mary Jobe, of Victoria. The bridegroom has recently returned from the Arctic, where he was engaged with the Canadian Arctic Expedition. During his sojourn in the North Mr. Gumaer had the unique experience of being "adopted" by the celebrated "model" Eskimos, and living with them for some months. The bride is a popular member of the staff of the Dominion Hotel, where Mr. Gumaer has been residing since his return, and Monday's ceremony marks the culmination of a pleasing romance. Mr. and Mrs. Gumaer left on this afternoon's boat for Seattle en route for Southern California, where the young couple will make an extended visit to Mr. Gumaer's parents.

### WEST SAANICH SCHOOL HELD CLOSING EXERCISES

The children of the West Saanich school, held their closing exercises at the West Road Hall, last night. Mrs. Walker, School Trustee, occupying the chair in her usual able manner. Mrs. Walker, in opening the proceedings, stated that the charges for admission, were to be devoted to the piano fund of the said school, the teachers having purchased a piano. The Saanich School Board was well represented and each child in turn made a speech, congratulating pupils and teachers on the excellent showing made.

A. Petch, who had trained the children in their singing, conducted each of the choruses, the children responding in a most creditable manner. Votes of thanks were extended to each and all who had helped to make the evening such a success.

Mr. Petch will conduct the exercises of the Saanich school children at the Agricultural Hall, Saanich, on Saturday night, December 20, when a dance will follow the concert.

### WOMEN HONOR

#### LADY BARNARD

Retiring Chatelaine of Government House, Receives Presentation

Friday next will see the close of the regime of Sir Frank and Lady Barnard at Government House. During her four years' as chatelaine of the gubernatorial residence, Lady Barnard has shown an active and unceasing interest in the women's organizations of the city, and has been ever ready to assist in any matter tending to the welfare of the community. On innumerable occasions the doors of Government House have been thrown open and Lady Barnard has graciously dispensed hospitality to the various executives, met at Alexandra House to make their official adieux to Lady Barnard, and present her with a tangible token of their appreciation.

Societies Represented.  
The affair was held in the tea-room at the Alexandra House and took the form of an informal "at home" arranged by Mrs. Croft. Representatives of the Red Cross, the Municipal Chapter, I. O. O. E., the Women's Canadian Club, the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club, the King's Daughters, the hospital auxiliaries of the city, the V. D. and other women's organizations were in attendance. On her arrival Lady Barnard, who was obviously overcome at the spontaneous and unexpected tribute made by the gathering, was welcomed by the following representatives of the various organizations:

Mrs. A. E. Griffiths, regent of the Municipal Chapter, I.O.O.E.; Mrs. Jenkins, president of the Women's Canadian Club; Mrs. Fleming, chairman of the Canadian Red Cross, Victoria and District Branch; Mrs. Chas. Wilson, president of the Victorian Order of Nurses; Mrs. L. H. Hardie, district president of the King's Daughters; Mrs. R. Nash, president of the Victoria Ladies' Musical Club, and Mrs. Rhodes, Jubilee Hospital Auxiliaries.

Presentation to Lady Barnard.  
A pretty feature was the entrance of a group of young girls in costume, headed by Miss Hickman and including Miss Caryl Tolmie, representing the Red Cross; Miss Alice Nash, the Ladies' Musical Club; Miss Beryl Hyndman, the Canadian Club; Miss Betty Bedford, the Victorian Order of Nurses; Miss Kathleen Clay, the King's Daughters; Miss Mabel Rhodes, the Hospital Auxiliaries, and Miss Mona Miller, the Daughters of the Empire.

Miss Hickman, who was garbed as a herald, then presented to Lady Barnard, the gift of the women's organizations, a handsome silver-gilt jewel casket of Damascus workmanship, enclosed in a satin-lined box of Oriental satin wood, adorned with a brass plate suitably engraved.

#### The Address.

In making the presentation Miss Hickman read the following address: "Dear Lady Barnard,—We have asked you to meet us here to-day on the eve of your official departure from Government House in order that we may take the opportunity of expressing to you our deep appreciation of the gracious and sympathetic manner in which you have met and assisted us in those great responsibilities, Imperial, National and local, with which the women of our beloved Empire have been faced during the last five years. You have encouraged and supported us in all our efforts, and with every word and deed you have shown us the way to the future. We hope it may convey to you that sentiment of a deep personal friendship and esteem which we trust may continue as a lifelong bond between us."

The responses to the address were as follows: Fannie Griffiths, regent of the Municipal Chapter, I.O.O.E.; Margaret Jenkins, president of the



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Women's Canadian Club; Mary Fleming, district chairman of the Canadian Red Cross Society; Harriett Wilson, vice-president Victorian Order of Nurses; Elizabeth Rhodes, district president of the King's Daughters; Mattie Nash, president Victoria Ladies' Musical Club; Phoebe B. Rhodes, Jubilee Hospital Auxiliaries.

Miss Caryl Tolmie also presented Lady Barnard with a lovely bouquet of pale pink carnations and roses on behalf of the organization. Lady Barnard acknowledged the gift with a voice charged with emotion, expressing her appreciation of the tribute, coupled with her admiration at the wonderful record of patriotic work achieved by the women's organizations with whom she had always been proud to be associated. At the close of the ceremonial part of the proceedings, tea was served, and before her departure at 3.30 Lady Barnard had personally thanked the majority of those present, and extended good wishes for the Christmas season.

### PRETTY WEDDING AT FAIRFIELD CHURCH

Frederick Stanley Green, Late C.E.F., Married Yesterday to English Bride

Fairfield Methodist Church was the scene of a very pretty wedding yesterday afternoon, when Naomi Gilbert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Gilbert, of Ely, Cambridgeshire, England, became the wife of Frederick Stanley Green, third son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Green, of 209 Moss Street. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion, palms, ferns, evergreens and flowers making a bower of beauty. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. Cook, pastor of the church, in the presence of many guests. Miss Maud Davis presided at the organ.

The bride, who was accompanied to the altar by the father of the groom, was lovely in a beautiful gown of ivory crepe de chine, embroidered in pearls. She wore a tulle veil held in place with the conventional orange blossoms and carried a shower bouquet of white chrysanthemums and carnations. The duties of best man were fulfilled by Gerald Green, brother of the groom.

During the signing of the registrar, Mrs. Harold Davis gave a pleasing rendering of Teresa Del Riego's "O Sweet-With-Flowers," at the conclusion of which the bridal party left the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March. Afterwards a reception was held at the home of the bridegroom, when after congratulations and best wishes having been extended to the newly-married couple, a dainty buffet supper was served. Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. Green left to take up their residence in Suite 15 Alisa Mansions, Victoria.

The bridegroom is one of nine brothers, six of whom saw active service. He spent over two years in France with the 39th Battalion, C. P. A. After being wounded at Puthendele he was invalided for several months in England. The bride has recently arrived from England, having travelled in company with Miss Katie Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Green.

To raise much-needed funds for the maintenance of their soccer, rugby and hockey teams, the Sports Club of the Great War Veterans' Association will hold a dance to-morrow night in the Patricia Hall. An especially good five-piece orchestra has been engaged for the affair, and dancing will be from nine till one o'clock. A committee of ladies are in charge of the supper arrangements, and altogether the affair promises to be one of the jolliest dances of the season.

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Important Test Case Being  
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Jay in Police Court

Can the law compel a barrister or solicitor to take out a license in order to practice his profession in this city?

This question is forming the basis of a test case being argued in the Police Court before Magistrate Jay. This morning D. P. W. Maunell appeared on a charge of practicing the profession of a lawyer in this city without having taken out a license, as is required by by-law 2054, relating to trade licenses. Mr. Maunell pleaded "Not Guilty" to the charge.

The accused admitted that on the day in question he was carrying on his profession without having obtained a license, but added that he held a certificate for 1919 and 1920 under the Legal Professions Act. He contended that the by-law under which he was charged was not properly signed. It contained the signature of E. W. Bradley, acting clerk of the Municipal Council, whereas the Municipal Act stated that all by-laws must be signed by the Mayor or Reeve and the Clerk.

Even if the by-law was valid Mr. Maunell denied the right of a corporation to impose the tax and cited in substantiation of his claim clauses in the British North America Act, which empowered a municipality to issue licenses to persons engaged in the exchange or barter of commodities. There was, however, no provision made for the taxing of professional ability. He pointed out that lawyers were servants of the general public, and if they were taxed their charges would have to be correspondingly increased. He held that if a lawyer was taxed by magistrates and judges would also be liable.

No argument was made by City Prosecutor Harrison, as he was anxious to investigate the case. Magistrate Jay adjourned the case until Monday morning.

## NO OBSERVATION OF PLANETS LAST NIGHT

No observations of the conjunction of the planets with respect to the sun were possible at the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory last night owing to the clouds that covered the heavens.

Professor Albert H. Poria has denied making the prediction that the world would end Wednesday. He says what he did predict was merely a series of terrific storms on the Pacific coast between December 17 and December 21, and that the effect of these storms may be felt far toward the east.

## NO DISEASE AMONG FANCIERS' RABBITS

Although common rabbits may be afflicted with a fatal, dangerous disease that is contagious and seriously affects human beings, none of the bunnies "aristocrats" belonging to members of the Victoria and District Rabbit Breeders' Association have anything the matter with them, according to Mrs. E. Cheetham, president. City health officials are keeping close watch of rabbits being offered for sale here, following discoveries by Dr. A. G. Price, medical health officer, of the dangerous nature of the plague.

"It is the poor neglected rabbit that comes from mowens in particular and is neglected that spreads the disease," said Mrs. Cheetham. "There is not a particle of disease amongst any of our rabbits. To get over the trouble there should be instituted a system of medical inspection of all rabbits sold, somewhat along the lines of the abattoir inspection of slaughtered cattle advocated by Alderman Johns. We are able to protect our own rabbits, because as soon as anything is found wrong with any of them the trouble is at once reported by us to Dr. White, the Government veterinarian, who investigates it."

## SCHOOLS PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS CLOSINGS

Most of the Christmas closing exercises of the Victoria Public Schools that are to be of formal or elaborate nature will be held Thursday evening, as the schools will be brought to a close for this year early Friday morning. In those schools where Tuesday night functions are not being held, short informal exercises will take place Friday morning.

At the Quadra Street School an elaborate Christmas entertainment will be given by the pupils at 8 o'clock to-morrow night to raise money for the sports funds. The Victoria West School will hold its concert at 7:30 o'clock to-morrow evening in the school.

## CHINESE MASONS TO HOLD BANQUET HERE

Members of the International convention of Chinese Freemasons (Chee Kong Tong) which is being held here at present will banquet at the Chinese Masons' Hall, Flagstaff Street to-night, after viewing the sights of the city this afternoon. The convention so far has been considering various subjects of a fraternal nature.

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Trefousse Suede, oversewn; grey, tan or brown, **\$3.25** pair.

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Two in a box. One style has colored border and hand-embroidered designs; another has neatly hemstitched edge and is hand-embroidered in white—**75¢** a box.

Box of Three Handkerchiefs with colored borders, or box of two handkerchiefs with embroidered designs in corners—**45¢** a box.

Box containing Three Handkerchiefs, with hemstitched edge and colored embroidered corners—**35¢** a box.

Two Handkerchiefs, with colored borders and neat designs in corners—**50¢** a box.

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Sweaters of silk in the newest styles and colorings, suitable for gifts, are here in great assortment. Prices are from **\$22.50 to \$35.00**.

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Collar and Cuff Sets of Net and Lace, **\$2.25 to \$5.25**.

Collar and Cuff Sets of Georgette Crepe, **\$1.75 to \$3.00**.

## TO PROBE FALSE WEATHER REPORTS

Coast Cities to Find Purpose  
of Sensational Dispatches  
in Prairie Papers

Just how sensational reports of below zero temperatures come to be distributed through wire services to the newspapers of the Prairies and published by them is to be investigated by Victoria and Vancouver, it was announced to-day by Commissioner McAdam of the Victoria and Island Development Association.

Not only have these reports been circulated through the press associations, but also through the official Dominion Government meteorological service from Toronto.

The Victoria and Vancouver officials consider the reports libelous on these communities and as destructive of all the publicity British Columbia cities have been carrying on during the last few months on the Prairies to induce people to come here to enjoy the winter climate.

Prairie people who have been wintering here were the first to take up the matter as what has been going on was brought to their attention by letters from friends still on the Prairies commiserating with them here for having to suffer such cold weather which they left the Prairies on purpose to escape.

This is the Canadian Press dispatch published under a prominent heading in the Regina Leader on December 11.

"Vancouver, Dec. 16.—The coldest weather for December on record was registered here during the night and early this morning. At six o'clock this morning the temperature stood at eleven degrees below zero. During the night it was five degrees above zero. At Victoria the temperature was eighteen degrees below

## HANDLE WITH CARE

## CHRISTMAS PARCELS

Bombs May Be Contained in  
Packages to Government  
and Municipal Officials

All public men who have been active in the suppression of Bolshevism or anarchistic movements are advised to handle with care any duty Christmas parcels which they may receive through the post within the next two weeks. These parcels may not look suspicious, but there may be contained inside an ingenious machine which will injure or destroy their life.

According to a communication received by Chief of Police John Langley this morning from the Dominion police at Ottawa a movement, instigated by the Russian Confederation of the Communist Party with headquarters in the principal cities on the Continent, has been detected, which plans to send out before and during the Christmas holidays to government and municipal officers and any others whose duties required them to take active part in the suppression of Bolshevism and anarchistic movements, neatly prepared packages having the appearance of Christmas gifts, but upon opening will result in an explosion.

Lady Alderson Chapter. — The members of the Lady Alderson Chapter, J. O. D. E., have received from Principal Campbell of the North Ward School, a cordial invitation to attend the closing exercises of the school, to be held at ten o'clock on Friday morning. Owing to the fact that Friday is the date of the Chapter's "at home" and sale of work at the residence of Mrs. J. W. Corning, however, it is not possible for the Chapter to attend en masse, but it is hoped that as many members as possible will avail themselves of the opportunity furnished by the principal's invitation to visit the school.

## FANCIERS ATTRACTED BY POULTRY SHOW

Exhibition Opened at Willows  
To-day; Nearly 600 Birds  
Shown

Between 500 and 600 of the best poultry of Vancouver Island were on hand to-day at the Willows for the opening of the fourth annual show of the Southern Vancouver Island Poultry Association. The exhibition continues until Saturday.

The entries are somewhat smaller in number than last year as the exhibition is confined entirely to birds within the district. The largest representation is in the Rhode Island class. All the chief local bird fanciers are exhibiting this year as at former exhibitions.

J. R. Terry is judging the utility classes and G. G. Wherry, of Idaho, the exhibition classes.

There was great interest shown in the opening of the show to-day because of the large number of persons who are preparing to enter the poultry business here, and are looking to the exhibition at the Willows for pointers on stock.

Rabbit breeders this year will hold a separate display.

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## A BEDTIME STORY

UNCLE WIGGILY AND KITTIE KAT.

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"Hello, Kittie Kat!" barked Jackie. "How Wowie, the little puppy dog boy, one morning as he saw his friend, the pussie, on her way to the hollow stump school, with her books under her paw."

"Hello, Jackie!" answered Kittie.

"Do you know your spelling lesson?" she asked, as she waited for the puppy chap to catch up to her. Kittie wasn't at all afraid of Jackie, though she was a kitten and he was a puppy dog. In fact, they were good friends. "Yes, I guess I know my spelling," barked Jackie in answer. "And can you do all those hard examples in the arithmetic lesson, about how much does one lollypop cost if you can buy three sticks of peppermint candy for five cents? Can you do that?"

"I can buy the peppermint candy all right—if somebody gives me the five cents," measured Kittie Kat, with a funny little laugh. "And I like catnip lollypops. But I don't know whether I can do that example or not. It sounds very hard."

"It is hard," went on Jackie. "I hope the lady mouse teacher doesn't ask me to do that, when I get to the hollow stump school."

"The pussie girl and the puppy dog boy were walking along together, and

Jackie was just saying what a nice sky-blue-pink tail ribbon Kittie had on, when, all of a sudden, there was a bowl and a yowl and a bark, and a strange dog rushed along the path through the woods.

"Oh, meow!" cried Kittie, and dropping her school books, she ran up the nearest tree. Jackie was so surprised that he didn't know what to do, so he sat down and waited for her. "I'll wait here until you come down."

"Oh, dear!" measured Kittie Kat, as she sat down and waited. "Please go away and let me come down. I'll be late for school!"

"If you come down I'll chase you!" barked the strange, bad dog. "And here's another puppy chap who will help me," he said, as he saw Jackie. "Now come running along with Kittie's books, which Jackie had kindly picked up."

"Help you do what?" barked Jackie at the strange dog.

"You'll help me chase this pussie girl if she comes down out of the tree, won't you?" asked the big dog. "Indeed, I will not!" growled Jackie. "And you'd better not chase her, either! Kittie Kat is a friend of mine and of my brother Peetie, too! We never chase her, and now I'm going to make you run away and leave her alone!"

"Peetie! You can't make me go away!" sniffed the bad dog.

"I can't, hey?" asked Jackie. "Well, here comes my brother Peetie, and he'll help me chase you away!"

And, surely enough, Peetie came along just then on his way to school. And Jackie and Peetie looked so brave and bold, and they showed their teeth and growled so hard at the strange, bad dog, that the unpleasant chap was glad enough to run away far off.

"Now you may come down, Kittie," said Jackie, kindly. "I have your books, and if we hurry you won't be late for school. Come on down, Kittie!"

"I can't!" measured Kittie. "I can't come down. I'm afraid!"

"Why, are you afraid?" The bad dog has gone away," said Jackie.

"Far, far away," we chased him," said Peetie.

"I know he isn't there," went on Kittie, "but still I'm afraid to come down. I'm afraid I'll fall! You see I rushed up the tree in such a hurry, to get away from the dog, that I didn't stop to think about being afraid. But now I'm scared. I haven't come down!"

Well, Jackie and Peetie coaxed and coaxed, telling Kittie they would catch her if she started to fall. But still Kittie was afraid. It was getting late, and almost time for the last school bell to ring.

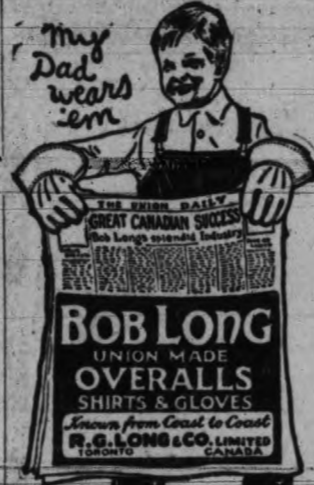
"Oh, what shall we do to help get Kittie down?" asked Jackie.

"Here comes Uncle Wiggily," answered Peetie. "He will know what to do. We'll ask him to help get Kittie down."

And when the rabbit gentleman hopped up and saw what was the matter, he said:

"Now you stay right there, Kittie. I'll hurry back to my hollow stump bungalow and get my airship. Then I'll sit over the tree, take you out and down, and get you to school in time."

And Uncle Wiggily did just that.



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Lord Leverhulme explained that by his plan of co-partnership there is an annual distribution among the employees of Lever Bros. of co-partnership certificates. But as these certificates contribute no new capital to the business, the dividends paid are 5 per cent. less than those paid on the ordinary shares. For example, last year the dividend paid on Lever Bros. common stock was 20 per cent. Therefore the certificates distributed to the employees called for a 15 per cent. dividend. The dividend is paid in preferred shares, which the employee can hold or can redeem at any time for cash at par value. If he holds them he gets an additional profit of the dividend on the preferred stock and any bonus that may be paid. Last year the bonus was 20 per cent. making a total dividend on the preferred of 25 per cent.

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per cent. of their wages, while an enthusiastic, appreciative and responsive workman will receive more than 10 per cent. with special allotments for special services and helpful suggestions. If a man is dissatisfied with his allotment he can appeal to a committee made up of managers and workmen for a readjustment.

In 1918 four thousand certificates were distributed, to a value of more than \$1,000,000. This year the distribution is expected to equal \$1,250,000. There is outstanding now approximately \$5,000,000 of a further \$5,000,000, has been authorized. This will probably last five or six years, when another \$5,000,000 issue will be authorized. This year more than six thousand certificates will be distributed. The company now has 15,000 employees who may become eligible to receive the certificates, and Lord Leverhulme thinks the number will rise to 25,000.

Method of Paying.

Another innovation with Lever Brothers is in the method of paying. The old way of the men coming to the cashier's window once a week has been dropped. "The workman's money is now paid into the bank to his credit in a checking account, and he is allowed to name his own bank."

"The banks like it and the men like it," said Lord Leverhulme. "It encourages thrift and abolishes many of the obstacles to the workman's saving. Instead of spending all his money at the end of the week and having nothing left to put in the bank he draws out of the bank only what he needs for his expenses and he gets interest on what remains in the bank."

"The system is quite voluntary. We don't bank a man's money for him unless he asks us to. The man first signs a slip asking us to put his money in the bank for him and giving the name of the bank he wants used. 'I'll make this application we pay him at the cashier's window in the old way.'"

EXPECT TO BE READY BY END OF THE WEEK

Saanich Ratepayers' Representatives to Choose Reeve-ship Candidate

In order to secure a representative gathering of the ward ratepayers' associations in Saanich, various wards are making their selections during the current week. It is hoped that by Saturday the various delegates will have been chosen, and that the president and secretary of the Saanich Central Ratepayers' Association will then be able to set a date for the general meeting at which the association will select a candidate for reeve.

Formerly five of the wards had active associations, but in only two or three of the wards have regular meetings been held recently. However, it is believed possible that enough life will be generated by the advent of a contest to secure a representative body of ratepayers from the whole of the municipality.

While there will be no difficulty to fill the council seats, at present there is little desire to serve on the School Board. At one time every trustee vacancy was sharply contested, now the interest shown is not equal to the important problems before the trustees in the coming year, when a considerable sum must be spent in building improvements, apart from maintenance charges.

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Therefore tourists, travellers, and residents alike, will be delighted to know that the "New Douglas," at a cost of several thousands of dollars, has now fitted up one of the most sanitary and spacious kitchens in Canada, which the public are invited to inspect any hour of the day.

Meals will be served in the splendidly furnished dining room, a la carte, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., AT MOST REASONABLE PRICES—AND THE GREAT FEATURE OF THE DINING ROOM SERVICE WILL BE A VERY EXCELLENT FOUR-COURSE LUNCHEON (on from 11.45 to 2 o'clock) for half-a-dollar.

And in these days, when so many of the older hotels have unfortunately drifted into the almost exclusive employment of Chinks, in their so-called kitchens, it will be a great satisfaction to the public to know that the Hotel Douglas kitchen is ENTIRELY UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF WHITE HELP—WITH ONE OF THE BEST CHEFS IN AMERICA IN CHARGE.

Therefore, all who want to keep British Columbia "A WHITE MAN'S COUNTRY," and who are sick of Chink cooking, and their ghastly concoctions, should at once patronize this very excellent dining room.

PHILANTHROPIST TO SPEAK ON MONDAY

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The Comrades are planning a real Christmas function of the kind that will delight the hearts of the youngsters, and as it is impossible to secure a list of war orphans or service men's widows and their children who will take advantage of their hospitality the secretary asks that they notify him as soon as possible so that an estimate can be made of the number to provide for.

The wives of members and their children will also take part in the Christmas celebration at which the Yuletide spirit will be uppermost. An elaborate scheme of decorations is planned, the crowning feature of which will be the enormous Christmas tree. "We haven't funds for expensive presents," says the secretary, "and we are not soliciting for funds, but we hope to give every youngster who attends a suitable present. The members are particularly anxious that the widow's children will be on hand."

An entertainment in the evening, arranged with the great object in mind of pleasing the youngsters is to be staged, among the features of which will probably be a conjuring exhibition by Harold M. Duggan.

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"Bantams" to Meet.—A meeting of all former members of the 143rd Battalion are invited to attend a meeting to be held in the G. W. V. A. on Friday evening for the purpose of forming an Association. The meeting was scheduled for to-night, but has had to be unavoidably postponed.

Holding Bazaar.—The Women's Auxiliary of the Army and Navy Veterans are holding a bazaar and tea this afternoon in the Pemberton Building. The proceeds will be devoted to the work of the veterans.

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## WOMEN EMIGRANTS' HOPES LESS ROSY

Miss Gladys Pott, Recently  
Here, Discourage English  
Land Girls

London, Dec. 17.—Hopes enter-  
tained by England's surplus women  
of opportunities for a broader and  
better life in the British dominions  
and colonies are less rosy than a few  
months ago. Prospects for women  
intending to emigrate were investi-  
gated on behalf of War's, Wrens,  
Waacs and war nurses and found to  
be unalluring. A Government survey  
showed that the only occupation  
open to any large number of emi-  
grants is domestic service.

Miss Gladys Pott, who has just re-  
turned from Canada, reported that  
difficulties incident to the severe  
Canadian winters gave little encour-  
agement to the British ex-land girl  
who hoped to go in for farming "on  
her own." However, Miss Pott found  
that Canada needed women teachers  
and nurses.

The Australian investigator re-  
ported that Australia already had a  
female surplus of 97,309, so girls  
must not emigrate there with hopes  
of getting married soon. Australia  
can use more domestic servants and  
teachers.

Difficulties of women emigrants to  
New Zealand, except nurses, would be  
too great for the average British  
girl, it was found.

All English girls are cautioned to  
have jobs promised and a certain  
programme worked out before going  
to live in any of the colonies.

Miss Gladys Pott was in Victoria  
a few months ago, pursuing her in-  
vestigations into the possibilities for  
women immigrants.

Girls' Corner Club.—The club will  
meet as usual on Thursday in Odd  
Fellows' Hall, Douglas Street, supper  
being served at 8.15, followed by a  
musical programme in which some of  
the girls are taking part. Mr. C.  
Innis, of Toronto, will be the guest  
of the evening and will give an ad-  
dress, the meeting closing before 8  
p.m. Any girls working in the city  
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## FEDERAL LABOR MEN CHOOSE OFFICERS

J. D. McDonald Chosen Presi-  
dent at the Meeting Last  
Evening

At a secret meeting in its Crystal  
Theatre headquarters last night the  
Federated Labor Party elected the  
following officers for the coming  
year:

President—J. D. McDonald.  
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Woodward, R. McLeod and W. Elliott.  
Chairmen of the five committees were  
also named.

Reports from the retiring officers  
outlined the work of the party during  
the last year, great satisfaction being  
expressed over the fact that 5,000  
votes had been cast in favor of the  
labor candidate at the recent federal  
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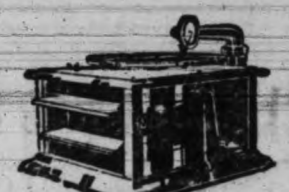
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Revitalization of the spiritual activities and strengthening the material equipment are the objects of the big campaign which members of the Anglican Church here are carrying on through the Forward Movement, according to Bishop Schofield, who addressed a meeting of members of the movement last night.

A summary of the objectives was presented on a blackboard, calling for more adequate provision for a living wage for clergymen, security against disability and old age, and attention to the opportunities and responsibilities of the church in Western Canada.

Women are now covering the city distributing literature and will continue this work for two more months. A number of laymen are to be taken into the work as "information men," each instructed in the pressing needs of the church for which a definite objective is set.

R. Ross Sutherland was elected chairman and the following a committee to assist him: Lindley Crease, K.C., Thornton Fell, Edwin M. Brown, W. W. Ballard, Col. A. W. K. Wilby and Col. R. C. Andros. Others may be added to the committee.

**FRIENDS.**

When other days have come, and we are parted, old and grey,  
Shall you remember those cross things we used to say?

Shall you remember all the times we quarrelled and once more made friends; then disagreed again—  
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## PROVINCIAL ARTS INSTITUTE PLANS

Directors of New Body Will Present Constitution at Meeting Friday

At a meeting to be held in the Provincial Library on Friday at 8 p.m. the directors of the Institute recently formed and incorporated, will present the constitution and laws and enrol members.

Some practical suggestions are put forward for committee work.

**Industrial Research.**  
A committee will make a survey of existing art craft industries in the Province and enquire into the possibilities for art work in new industries in British Columbia such as toy making, Christmas cards, weaving, rug making, pottery, metal work, stencilling, woodcarving, plaster work and arts connected with the building trades.

**Art in Education.**  
An educational committee may advise in teaching of art subjects, selection of pictures for schools and school text books.

Establish a life class and handicraft classes where these are not already formed. Encourage the application of native designs in British Columbia manufactures using as a basis the fauna and flora or natural objects distinctive of the Province and in certain manufactures preserve the native Indian designs.

**Exhibitions.**

In order to maintain a high standard of workmanship, a committee will select only suitable objects for exhibition. They will also make arrangements for loan and travelling exhibitions and for a permanent exhibition of fine and industrial art work, which will be open free to the public.

**Library and Commercial Enterprise.**  
The Provincial Library has many sources of information on the practical arts, and is always at the service of the public. A list of books and references on any industry will be supplied upon request.

## NEWS AND NOTES OF THE MINES

**To Erect Bunkhouse.**  
The Princeton Mining and Development Company, which owns a property three miles down the Similkameen River from Princeton, is getting out lumber for the erection of a bunkhouse, and it will start active mining operations in the spring.

**Germans Find Iron Ore.**  
Prospecting in the Idarwadi, about thirty miles south of Cobalt, has assured Germany, according to the British Board of Trade Journal, rich iron ore deposits that ought to compensate for the loss of those of Lorraine. The work of the last few months has given very satisfactory results, and deposits have already been discovered in the regions of Rhaunen-Sulzbach, Wetzlarbach and Horbruch. The ore has been discovered at a depth of six to ten feet, but in several places just below the surface. Analysis shows that it contains from 55 to 60 per cent. manganese. The transport could be effected at a small cost by means of the Hunsbruck Railway.

**New Ore Shoot.**  
The presence of a new ore shoot, developed recently, begins to show in the October report of the Standard Silver-Lead Mining company, which indicates a relative operating gain of \$16,832.

The ore body is 300 feet long and 12 feet wide, and lies between the fifth and seventh tunnel levels. It contains an average of 14 per cent. zinc and 5 per cent. lead, but a higher percentage of lead was appearing at an end of the slope a week ago, according to a report from Silverton.

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## UNIVERSITY SCHOOL'S ANNUAL RE-UNION

Many "Old Boys" at Delightful Dance Last Night

"Old Boys" and present students, parents and sisters, to the number of over two hundred and fifty were in attendance at the annual re-union held at the University School, Mr. Tolmie last evening. The function marked the close of the term, taking the place of the play which has been the feature of the closing exercises in previous years. And that the innovation was a popular one was evidenced by the reluctance with which the younger people made their departure shortly before 1 a.m. Among the "old boys" were a number whose military uniform or returned soldiers' button testified to service overseas, and many acquaintances of school days were renewed at the gathering.

The guests on arrival were received by Rev. W. W. Bolton and Mr. and Mrs. Barnacle in the spacious gymnasium, where dancing took place. The hall had undergone a complete metamorphosis at the hands of Sergeant Watson, the school drill instructor, who carried out in Roman lettering conveying the Christmas greetings of the school, while a huge "Welcome" and the word "Victory" greeted the visitor on entering. Weeks of preparation had made the floor ideal for dancing, and with the very attractive music furnished by Prof. Heaton's five-piece orchestra formed combination irresistible to devotees of the popular pastime.

The necessary matter of introductions was in the hands of an indefatigable committee of "old boys," including Gerald Bolton, Ansley Helmcken, Bob Harvey and Willie Garrard, assisted by Prefects Alexander, London and Shore. Mrs. Barnacle was ably assisted in furthering the enjoyment and comfort of the guests by Mrs. Andrew Wright, Mrs. Summerhill, Mrs. Sayer and Miss Leitch.

Shortly before 11 o'clock supper was announced, and the guests flocked to the school dining room where softly shaded lights cast a glow over long tables decorated with holly and winter blossoms, and laden with appetizing delicacies. At the conclusion of the feast dancing was resumed, the gaiety continuing until 1 o'clock this morning, when the guests departed amid general expressions of enjoyment of one of the most delightful affairs ever held at the school.

## LETTERS

Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short, and legibly written. The longer an article, the shorter to be there and soon we will have four.

**A BETTER WAY.**

To the Editor:—Some of the city fathers and other public-spirited citizens have put forward various suggestions for the improvement of a patch of vacant ground behind the Empress Hotel. Playing-fields, caennos, pavilions, band, candy and ice cream stands with other things, with most of which we are fairly well provided, are dangled before our eyes in kaleidoscopic fashion. Let me indicate a better way to spend money.

The Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital was built about thirty years ago to provide accommodation for the sick folk of a city of about fifteen thousand people, Esquimalt, Oak Bay and Saanich being then, in population, almost negligible quantities. Certain additions have been made to the building from time to time, but requirements have far outgrown conditions to which the directors have called public attention on several occasions.

One evening last week I visited the hospital and made a quiet inspection of the wards at bed-time. There was overcrowding everywhere. The number of patients rose to one hundred and sixty early in the month, and now, with one ward closed for necessary cleaning, one hundred and fifty beds and cots are in use. This means that in the public wards the beds have to be put so close together that the nurses cannot get room to attend to a patient until they have moved another bed up against a third one. Think of what that crowding of the sick means to them. Think all you can and even then you cannot realize what it means to the patients.

In the public ward pavilions we have what once were private rooms, from which we derived a good income and from which we could get the largest revenue to-day. If we had not to use them for public ward patients, As I passed along the corridor and glanced into these rooms—for the doors were open on that cold night, presumably for ventilation—I saw three beds in each room and yet the public air-space calls for only one, and each bed was occupied by a sick man. I saw a screen at the end of a corridor, and behind it another bed and another patient. In a glazed veran-

dah (sun-down) there were two beds and two patients, both women. I ignore a matter of vital importance to the entire community. We even say we cannot afford to increase our public contributions towards the support of the hospital, no, not even to take care of the higher cost of living. To say nothing of greater efficiency, and allow the institution to struggle on with a steadily increasing and hampering debt, with constant dunning from tradesman and a close watch upon a small overdraft by the bank. The day of reckoning may be closer than we think.

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Some of them are men in the prime of life, apparently not over-burdened with this world's goods; still, when after a dollar it is not too hard to capture, yet rated as "retired." The connection seems ambiguous. Retirement, as I judge it, and as most ordinary folk do, is to be in a position of independence, both as regards money and time. The retired business man, we picture, is one who has had a successful career, who has not only amassed wealth but good hard sense. When he offers himself as a candidate for office, we conclude he is willing to give of his life's accumulated wisdom and wealth, if needs be, for the general benefit of the city.

I question the qualifications of some of our aldermen, who run and are elected yearly, under the classification of "retired."

Be that as it may, why do we favor the retired class anyway? Might it not be possible that they have given their best, mentally and physically, in business pursuits? Is the danger not great that they have exhausted that aggressive alertness that made them wonders in the commercial world? Would it not be better to elect men who are now actively engaged in business competition with their fellow men? Men who are being constantly rapped by others as bright as they? Men who must always keep alive and progressive or go under?

Moreover, as the business of the city is the city's biggest business, the electorate ought to choose carefully and not let a candidate's popularity, fraternal connection, church affiliation, or even oratorical ability, blind them to the candidate's lack of fitness for the very important position of alderman.

J. A. SHANKS.  
"Five Points," Dec. 16, 1919.



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## MOTHER LACKS MONEY TO BUY SHOES, SO THE KIDDIES MISS SCHOOL

Part of City Prepares Christmas Celebration, But Many Are in Distress

The spirit of Christmas is in the air. Preparations for the happiest day in the year are going forward with a swing. There is the same old rush for presents in the stores, huge parcels are being dispatched every day to absent friends. It is evidently going to be a joyous Christmas for many families.

But on the other hand thousands of people in this city are making no preparations for the Yuletide season, are rather dreading its approach, for there are many families that will

spend this Christmas in actual cold and hunger. This fact has been revealed beyond all question by the investigations carried on by the Rotary Club Christmas Tree committee. For instance, yesterday one of the Rotarians came across a woman who is unable to send her children to school because they have no boots. Boots will be purchased for the kiddies through the Christmas Tree Fund, but many similar cases will not be reached unless far larger subscriptions are made to the fund during the next three days.

A Letter From Ralph. While the Rotarians investigate personally all cases of reported distress, the Secretary of the Club every day receives letters, usually addressed to Santa Claus, that show the widespread character of the poverty prevailing.

One child, who signs himself "Ralph," wrote a letter to Santa Claus in a language of his own. Doubtless it embodies dreams of trains and stuffed animals and candies, and all the other things that make up a real Christmas, but it is couched in about ten lines of waving, scribbled lines that mean nothing to anyone beside the writer. The Rotary Santa Claus, however, will do his best to interpret the wishes so expressed, and there is little doubt he will do it pretty successfully.

A little girl has this to say to St. Nicholas:

Dear Santa,—Will you please bring me a nice work basket and a tiny doll sister is writing a letter to you, and she is only five years old and I am eight, and we both go to school because mother goes to work, with my very best love.

"A Doll to Shut Its Eyes." The sister's letter runs thus: Dear Santa,—Will you please bring me a train on a track and a nice big doll to shut its eyes, with love from your little girl.

**RABBIT SHOW PREPARING**  
Two-Day Exhibition Will Be Held at End of Next Week.

The Victoria and District Rabbit Breeders' Association has decided to hold its first annual exhibition of rabbits in the city on Friday and Saturday, December 26 and 27.

Mayor Porter has consented to loan the spacious gallery of the Market Building and the services of a specialist rabbit judge, John Needham, of Seattle, have been secured.

Mr. Needham's name as a rabbit judge at the Crystal Palace Shows, London, England, is well known among rabbit breeders in the Old Country and since making his home in Seattle, he has been doing quite a lot of judging at various shows in Washington, in which state the rabbit breeding industry is making very rapid progress. The cooping of the exhibits at this coming show has been provided for through the kindness of J. R. Terry, Secretary of the British Columbia Poultry Association, and a large entry is expected.

A. C. McVicker has been appointed as show superintendent and with so practical a rabbit breeder in this office intending exhibitors need not have the slightest fear for the well-being of their stock during these two days' exhibition.

W. Miller Higgs of Warden Ranch, Sooke Way, Victoria, secretary of the Association, is acting as show secretary and all entries should be sent in to him with as little delay as possible, for entries positively close on Tuesday, December 23, from where full details may be obtained.

Good classification has been provided: Seven classes according to age and sex for Belgian Hares, seven for Black Siberian Hares, seven for Grey and Steel Grey Flemish Giants, seven for Black Flemish, and seven for New Zealand Reds. Then five classes each for Angoras, Polish, Himalayan and any other fancy variety. In addition there are three classes for Utility Meat Stock: Belgian, Flemish and Common Cross-bred rabbits. Also classes for dressed rabbits, killed and drawn only, under four pounds and over four pounds. Classes for exhibits of rabbit pie and bottled rabbit meat.

## Government by Injunction

By A. A. Freeman

The recent conference of the leaders of the labor unions at Washington, D. C., culminated in a new "Declaration of Independence." They not only oppose "government by injunction," which is an old, old complaint, but insist that Federal judges should be elected by the people for a short term, in order that the unions may defeat them for re-election if they fail to obey them.

Nor is that all; they demand in their "declaration of independence" (of law) that Congress shall not make strikes unlawful, as if it were not Congress which first made strikes lawful, as in the Clayton Act and the Adamson Act. Perhaps, they did not know that at the common law which prevails in most, if not all the States, an agreement of combination among workers to injure the business of their employer is a misdemeanor subjecting the strikers to fine and imprisonment. It is a conspiracy and therefore unlawful. Many persons in the United States have suffered their just dues for the violation of this law. The Acts above referred to, so far as Congress is concerned, have made strikes lawful—provided, however, they are peaceful and the strikers do not interfere with others who apply for their places.

Ah, That's the Rub! "What does it amount to," said a labor union writer, "for us to strike

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Everyone knows, and it is folly to try to conceal the fact, that the modern labor union propaganda is revolutionary. A "strike" has become synonymous with a "riot." If the strikers would throw down their tools, go off and leave the factory or mine no one would complain. I take the following from their "declaration":

"Legislation which proposes to make strikes unlawful, or to compel the wage-earners to submit their grievances or aspirations to courts or Government or governmental agencies is an invasion of the right of wage-earners, and when enforced makes for industrial serfdom or slavery!"

There You Are! All other peoples but the unions are to submit of course to "Government or Government agencies," but the unions are to be exempt.

As already observed, it was Congress that gave them the right to strike. That right has been so shamefully abused that Congress is considering the propriety of correcting that mistake.

As to injunctions, I desire to say that it is the consensus of opinion among intelligent men that this form of judicial administration is the mildest, safest and most conservative of all the forms of judicial administration. Mistakes are made, of course, but is the verdict of a jury infallible? Not only so, but there are matters in which the trial by jury is utterly impracticable.

You have a home and some shade trees of which you are very proud. Your neighbor claims that the trees are on his side of the line and threatens to cut them down. You have no remedies; first to guard your trees with your gun or appeal to the court for an injunction. Which is better? Again: You have a small factory employing, say, fifty men. They strike and stand around your premises, or will you ask a court to enjoin them from interfering with your business? It is admitted that you must adopt one or the other of these remedies; which is better?

In view of the constant attacks made by the unions on the courts, my private opinion is that the second remedy is the proper one. They declare that their organization is not for themselves but for the whole people. Are they aware of the fact that less than ten per cent. of the people in the United States and Canada belong to or sympathize with the modern propaganda of the labor unions?

What about the rights of the other ninety per cent.? But they are "scabs" and are, therefore, not entitled to any consideration. Section four of their propaganda declares the "right of public employees to organize must at all times be safeguarded." Is that true? They

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already belong to one organization to which they have sworn allegiance. But then this is only the Government, and who cares for the Government? The Government belongs to the capitalist; the Government is an enemy of labor and should be overthrown. This is all right in Russia, but I doubt if it meets the approval of Canadians and Americans.

## VALUATIONS OF CROP TRIPLED IN WAR

The value of crops produced in the United States this year is nearly three times greater than the average annual value during the five years preceding the outbreak of the European war, according to the report of the secretary of agriculture. "On the basis of prices that have recently prevailed," says the secretary, "the total value of all crops produced in 1919 is \$15,573,000,000, compared with \$14,222,000,000 for 1918; \$13,473,000,000 for 1917; \$9,054,000,000 for 1916; \$6,112,000,000 for 1915; and \$5,828,000,000 for the five-year average, 1910-1914. These values represent gross production and not net returns to the producer. The value of live stock on farms in 1919 was \$8,830,000,000, compared with \$8,284,000,000 in 1918; \$6,736,000,000 in 1917; \$6,021,000,000 in 1916; \$5,890,000,000 in 1915; and \$5,318,000,000 for the five-year average, 1910-1914.

"This increased financial showing, it is again necessary to emphasize, does not mean that the nation is better off to that extent or that its real wealth has advanced in that proportion. Considering merely the domestic relations, the true state is indicated rather in terms of real commodities, comparative statements of which are given in foregoing tables. The increased values, however, do reveal that the monetary returns to the farmers have increased proportionately with those of other groups of producers in the nation, and that their purchasing power has kept pace in the rising scale of prices."

"I saw a remarkable play when I was in New York," said Binks. "What was remarkable about it?" asked Jinks. "There was a butler in it and his name wasn't James," replied Binks.

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Even at the practice Dubbie Kerr and Will Loughlin like to smash the rubber disc past the goalkeepers and hear it singing against the back posts of the goal's citadel or to send it sailing into the hem from some difficult angle. Both spent a lot of time practicing shooting yesterday and were smashing them in like shots from a gun.

Dubbie in Shape.

Dubbie who has been working in the gymnasium and on the ice until he looks in as good a condition as ever he was in his life worked for an hour without showing any signs of fatigue. He has all his old-time speed and cleverness in stickhandling and his placing was perfect. From the initial workouts there appears little doubt that the local player is due for a real comeback.

Watch Victoria.

"Look out for Victoria in this season's hockey race; they're going to be the surprise package of the year," is the opinion of Tommy Morris, former trainer of the New Westminster hockey team, yesterday from Seattle, who has been hobnobbing with the hockey fraternity in Seattle.

He brings the information that the Seattle folks are keyed up to a high pitch and that they are already trying to dope out the winners. "Take it from me, the Seattle fans are right on the job," declared Morris. "They figure that the 'Vic' alone was responsible for keeping Victoria out of the fight last season and that with an even break this season they will go through to a championship. Up at Brown and Hulen's there is a substantial stake offered on Victoria's chances, and Eddie Milne, who is well known in Vancouver and Victoria sport circles, although an ardent Seattle fan, believes that Vancouver and Seattle will be running next to Victoria. Take it from me, Seattle fans expect a real battle with the Aristocrats right in front," opined Morris.

### EARL CADDOCK TO MEET BRITISHERS

Heavyweight Champion Feels He Has Recovered From Sickness

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Earl Caddock, heavyweight champion wrestler, finished his training to-day for his match to-morrow night with Sam Clapham, British champion. It will be Caddock's first contest since he was discharged from the army.

The contest, according to Caddock, resulted from a promise he made Clapham in France when a match there was called off because of the champion's illness.

"My future plans depend upon the showing I make to-morrow night," Caddock said in discussing reports that he intended to retire from the mat game. "I weigh 192 pounds and feel that I have recovered from the sickness I contracted overseas."

### WILSON IN TORONTO NO WORD FROM RICKEY

Toronto, Dec. 17.—Cully Wilson, the forward from the Pacific Coast League, arrived here to-day and will be out to practice to-morrow. No word has been received from Rickey, the Seattle defence man, who has been offered terms by the Toronto club.

STANFORD'S VISIT.

Vancouver, Dec. 16.—Stanford rugbyists will arrive in Vancouver on Tuesday next and will play here on December 25, 27 and New Year's Day. The team leaves San Francisco on Saturday and is composed of Stanford and California Universities players.

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## SPORTING NEWS

### CHALLENGE ACCEPTED BY NORTH WARDS

As League Game Is Impossible, Offer to Stage Game For Charity

A game for points between the North Wards and the Knights of Columbus—except it be a regular league game according to schedule not being considered by the Victoria league, a friendly encounter between the two rivals may take place. Replying to the K. of C. challenge, President Ed. Christopher of the Wards states:

"As the K. of C. know, as well as everybody else, that the V.D.F.A. cannot allow it or anybody else to play again for points already allotted, it would be useless for us to accept such a challenge.

"We will, however, accept a challenge from the K. of C. for a game against their association football team on the first available Saturday, on any ground in the city and with any referee at present handling games for the V.D.F.A.; the proceeds to be given to charity, or we will play for a percentage of the gate."

"However, as the referee can make or mar a game we would suggest that the services of an experienced person such as H. A. Goward or J. G. Brown be secured if possible. " Hoping that you will publish this and that it will be accepted in the same spirit that it is given, viz., to try and promote interest in soccer football, we remain etc."

### FIREMEN'S ELEVEN PLAY COLLEGE TEAM

Soccer, Rugby and Hockey on Oak Bay Field on Saturday

The Firemen who have a bye in the league competition have been selected to do battle with the visiting collegians Varsity day, next Saturday. The University of British Columbia announces that they will bring over a strong side in an effort to wrest the honors from the local firefighters.

Field hockey, rugby and soccer will all be on the schedule at Oak Bay in connection with the big sports day. The soccer game is due to start at 2 o'clock, and the grass hockey game will be played simultaneously. The rugby fixture between the V. I. A. A. and the collegians will start at 3 o'clock.

The University intermediates and the combined fifteen of Oak Bay and Victoria High School players will take place in the morning, starting at 10.15.

### DECIDES AGAINST FREAK DELIVERIES

Shine, Split and Emery Balls Bad For Game, Say Nationals

Chicago, Dec. 17.—For the purpose of increasing the number of base hits, the National League clubowners have voted unanimously in favor of the abolition of all fake deliveries by the pitcher. Sometime in the near future the rules committee of the two major leagues will meet jointly, at which time changes in the code may be made. As yet the American League managers have not expressed themselves officially on the matter.

"The National League thinks the 'shine' ball and the 'split' ball and the 'emery' ball and all those freaks are bad for baseball and should be eliminated," said Veck. "Of course, we expect to go along with the American League always on the matter of rules and if the Johnson body opposes such a change, it might not be made. At least, not this winter.

"The only complaint against the change seems to be that the umpires will not be able to enforce such a rule. We made inquiries of American Association umpires regarding that. The Association abolished the spitball and the freaks and went along much better than before. The umpires had no trouble in enforcing the rule after the first week or two of the season."

IT USED TO BE.

Is that a popular song your daughter is playing?—Edinburgh Scotsman.

## Hockey Rugby Billiards Boxing



### AROUND THE SPORT CAMPS



A triangular hockey tournament between Victoria, Vancouver and Seattle amateurs are among the puck-chasers' plans for this season.

It is probable that Guy Patrick, one of the Senators utility men will be seen in a green shirt at the next amateur games. Guy has been approached to transfer to the G.W.V.A. septette.

Bill Frankish who captained the Navy team in 1914 and L. C. Fillmore, the crack center forward and great goalgetter have left Victoria soccer circles for the Old Country.

The Army and Navy Team will be weakened by two of the smartest men that ever faced up to a soccer boot for amateur soccer in Victoria.

If Mike Macdonald doesn't produce a winning team he certainly has developed hockey players. The veteran fan and player will be able to point to some stars in the dim and distant future and say "Yes, I started that in the game."

Varsity day next Saturday promises to be one of the greatest athletic days in Victoria for a long time although the promoters will have a sigh of relief when their ambitious plans have culminated in success.

The Great War Veteran sports organization will hold a dance at the Patricia Hall to-morrow night to secure funds for their sporting activities.

Since their recent organization the War Veterans have branched out into rugby, ice hockey and soccer football.

The Wanderers fifteen will fill in another blank week in the league rugby schedule with grass hockey. A team is being chosen to meet an eleven of the recently formed Victoria Club.

A game between a Victoria team and a British Columbia University

team is also on the cards for Saturday.

Five C's and Christ Church Cricketers will hold their annual meeting to-morrow.

The Foundation soccer players hold strenuous workouts between games. The next is billed for Thursday in the gymnasium.

James Bay athletes intend to start the New Year well. They plan getting their club room into perfect shape by that date.

### ANOTHER HUNDRED THOUSAND IS JACK KEARN'S AMBITION

Paris, Dec. 16.—A cablegram from Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, was received by M. Decoin this afternoon, asking for \$250,000. Kearns says she has received a bonafide offer of \$350,000 purse for a battle between Carpenter and Dempsey.

M. Decoin wired Kearns that he was ready to guarantee him a quarter of a million dollars and wished to know what percentage was desired. If he receives a satisfactory answer he will leave for Los Angeles immediately to close the contract.

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San Francisco, Dec. 16.—"Decoin's statement certainly sounds like business," Kearns said, "and there is every prospect that we can make a satisfactory deal." Decoin's reply to his offer would undoubtedly be sent to Los Angeles, he stated, so he would be unable to learn the text until he reached there Thursday. According to Kearns, he had been offered \$250,000 by Billy Gibson for a Dempsey-Carpenter match in Connecticut, and hoped Dominick Torricchio, of New Orleans would offer \$350,000.

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## SPORTS

### FOOTBALL BODY MAKES DEFENCE

Statement From B. C. F. A. Council Ready at Victoria League Meeting

To clear the air and restore harmony in the British Columbia Football Association ranks, a statement has been issued to the Press by the executive council. Charges of irregular proceedings, and that the council is a self-elected body are answered in the statement which was read at the meeting of the Victoria and District League last night. The statement, which is signed by David Leith, J. Haslett, A. Robertson, Jack Russell, J. E. Carpenter, F. D. Campbell, G. K. Morton, secretary, reads in part as follows:

"These few disgruntled gentlemen make the general charge that the new council is self-elected, and that we are appropriating funds, which admittedly Mr. Con Jones had a large share in bringing into the treasury, and of generally being guilty of misconduct. Now, let us explain where these accusations come from and how much basis there is for them in fact. They say the annual meeting is irregular inasmuch as the entire personnel of the 'Brookton Point Thirteen' were not notified to be present, and we ask who other than Mr. Forgie or his secretary should have notified them of the meeting? Again, who called the annual meeting now declared to be illegal? Mr. R. Forgie. 'Who called the meeting last Friday night?' Mr. Forgie. 'Who was the chairman who decided who should vote and laid down the procedure to govern the annual meeting?' Mr. Forgie.

"Who admitted that if Jack Russell had been elected president instead of Leith that the Jones' meeting would not have been held? Mr. R. Forgie. 'Who declared that the Vancouver and District League would have no affiliation with a body that had Leith as president?' Mr. R. Munro. 'Who declared that the Mainland

Summer League had been formed with the express purpose of ousting Leith from football?' Mr. Con Jones. 'We, as a properly elected body of disinterested men are prepared to leave the answer with the public and are entitled to accept their verdict.'

"What standing can this provisional body, born at Brookton Point last July, have to-day, nearly a month after that body has automatically ceased to exist. 'The Council is issuing a special notice to all leagues and clubs giving them the actual facts, and if they feel we have not been properly elected, we stand prepared at a moment's notice immediately to tender our resignations.'

By Majority Vote.

"Feeling assured that the public are sufficiently interested in the exciting embroglio in football executive circles, and in the proceedings of the B. C. Football Association whose names are subscribed hereto, submit the following facts:

"From statements appearing in the press recently, it may easily appear to the uninitiated that the B. C. F. A. Council as at present constituted is a self-elected body. As a matter of fact the Council was elected by the majority vote of the accredited delegates from all of the leagues affiliated with the provisional council. The work of this provisional council has been carried on by seven members since the night-D. F. A. affiliation was sought. At a meeting at Brookton Point last summer thirteen or fourteen names were subscribed to a piece of paper and the understanding was that these men should carry on as a provisional body until the first annual meeting was held, when the election of officers would take place. 'Seven members of this provisional body did all the preliminary work and these men were: R. Forgie (chairman), R. Munro, J. Miller, F. D. Campbell, J. Russell, A. McDonald and R. Cavers. Finally these seven men decided that the time was opportune for the annual meeting and by unanimous vote it was agreed that only accredited affiliated league representatives should vote. 'In due time Mr. R. Forgie, through

the secretary, issued notices calling the annual meeting for the Hotel Vancouver on November 22, and Mr. Forgie, after reciting briefly the action taken by the 'provisional seven' vacated the chair in order to stand for the office of President. The only nominations for the office of president were those of Mr. Forgie and Mr. Leith, and the latter was elected by nine votes to four. Later in the meeting by a unanimous vote it was decided that football should be governed by a council of seven men of whom some were to be club or league officials. 'Up to that time there was not a whisper of any irregular proceedings, but a few days later an agitation was started to upset the annual meeting proceedings, and this agitation was openly led by Mr. Forgie and Mr. Con Jones. Culmination of their efforts came last Friday in the office of Jones' son, when Mr. Forgie, Mr. Munro and Mr. Miller, assisted by Mr. Bellamy, of the I. L. A., Con Jones, and the latter's son, succeeded by a majority vote in declaring that the annual meeting was irregular, and this notwithstanding that Messrs. Forgie, Miller and Munro were three of the active participants in the proceedings leading up to the very meeting which they now declare to be illegal.

### OLD COUNTRY TEAM FOR CHRISTMAS GAME

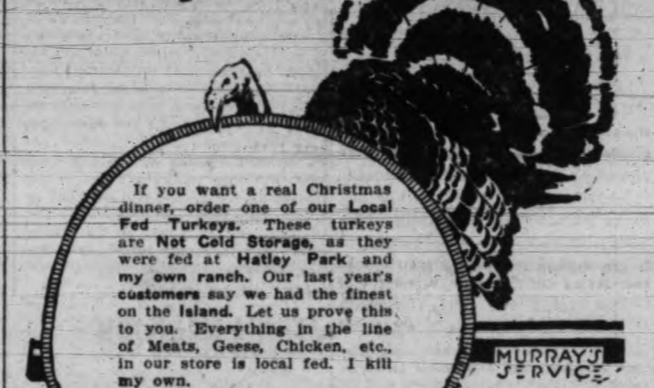
Vancouver Is Looking For an Inter-City Holiday Game

A team of Old Country footballers resident in Victoria to play a league match last night. The match is to be played on Christmas Day. Roberts, the Knights of Columbus leader, will fill the centre half position and captain the side. Four other K. of C. players caught a place, three Foundation, two Great War Veterans' Association and one Harbor Marine.

A reserve for every position was also picked, including three K. of C. players, three Yarrow, two Commodore, one Army and Navy Veteran, one Victoria West and one Harbor Marine. The Canadian team will be selected later.

The two Old Country Teams chosen

### Turkeys!



If you want a real Christmas dinner, order one of our Local Fed Turkeys. These turkeys are Not Cold Storage, as they were fed at Hatley Park and my own ranch. Our last year's customers say we had the finest on the island. Let us prove this to you. Everything in the line of Meats, Geese, Chicken, etc., in our store is local fed. I kill my own.

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last night were as follows:

First Team	
Shrimpton, K. of C.	
Chester Foundation	H. Ord Harbor Marine
Ackroyd G.W.V.A.	Roberts (Capt.) K. of C.
Caskie K. of C.	McKinnon K. of C.
Southern Foundation	Bridges Bridges Foundation
Second Team	
Leeming A. and N.	
J. Ord Yarrow	Shearman K. of C.
J. Roe Harbor Marine	Charman Bowers Yarrow Comrades
Merfield Yarrow	Harper Comrades
Smith K. of C.	Brass K. of C.
	Sherritt Wests
The Wards have a strong Canadian	

line-up and should find a good representation on the opposing line-up.

**Meat President**  
J. F. Mesher, vice-president, was chosen to fill the position of president, vacated by W. H. Hadley. An application was received from Vancouver for a New Year's Day game, and it was decided to await information from Seattle who are seeking a game with the Victoria players.

Two of Yarrow players were transferred, Merfield going to the Army and Navy Veterans and Watt to the Wests Intermediates.

### THE USUAL COURSE.

"Roberts," said the financier to his private secretary, "who was that persistent fellow who wanted to see me?"

"One of those book agents, sir."

"Ah, I'm glad you didn't let him in. What method did you use to get rid of him?"

"The usual method, sir. I bought a set of books."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

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## MECHANIC SCORES LABOR AGITATOR

E. B. Fish Addresses Shipyard Workers on Causes of Industrial Unrest

Roundly scoring the agitator who he claimed was responsible for the unemployment affecting thousands of industrial workers on the coast, E. B. Fish, a union mechanic with a gift of oratory, last night addressed a meeting of shipyard workers at the Princess Theatre, held under the auspices of the Harbor Marine Company, Ltd., and Yarrow, Ltd.

The chairman, Tom Stevenson, vice-president of the Harbor Marine Veterans' Association, introduced the speaker, and other representatives of the yard organizations were on the platform.

"Do not blame capital for your unemployment on the coast to-day," he said, "but blame the radical agitators who have been poisoning the minds of the workers to such an extent that they have demanded concessions which forced industry to the alternative of closing down or bankruptcy."

Who was directly responsible, the speaker asked, for all the suffering attendant upon the forced limitation of industrial enterprise? "The people who haven't got brains enough to handle their own affairs and can't even make a success of their own lives; who mess around in other people's business and declare that men of their calibre ought to control the industries of the country," the speaker answered.

He denounced Bolshevism as a "damnable hell-hatched doctrine," and declared that the same element in the ranks of the workers would ultimately rid itself of the "parasite of radicalism" and step forward into a new era of prosperity and equality for the laboring classes.

Proud to Be Worker

Mr. Fish stated that he was content to remain a successful working man. "I wouldn't hold the suffering class if I had the chance," he declared, maintaining that by birth, training and aspiration he was a worker, and proud to remain so.

"I much prefer to work eight hours a day without having to worry over time about getting out a payroll and keeping revenue ahead of costs. We see our employers riding out to the golf links in touring cars and we envy them. But we forget the penalty they are paying, and ignore the mental superiority and effort that it takes them to do that kind of thing. He granted that inequalities existed, but contended that conditions did not rob labor of its dignity. He was impressed with the necessity of labor and the necessity of upholding the honor, dignity and manhood of labor."

Remove Suspicion

He had found that the employers in the main were ready to display a spirit of conciliation and a desire to meet labor more than half way in order to work out an agreement that would mean success for both parties. "We have got to tear down the curtain of suspicion that separates the worker and the employer in many of our industrial concerns to-day. We have got to run to earth the professional agitator, the man who has to keep things stirred up and jump from one extreme to the other to be sure of his job."

"I believe that the time is coming when the conservative element in the ranks of labor will raise its strong right arm and declare to these radicals: 'For years we have fed you and let you live well. We have struck and starved and paid the bill. Now take a back seat and we'll settle this ourselves.'"

Invitations were issued to the men of the Harbor Marine Company and Yarrow, Ltd., and a large number attended, many being accompanied by their wives and friends. Musical selections were contributed during the evening by the Harbor Marine Orchestra under the leadership of Bandmaster George Cracknell.

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## PRINCE RUPERT TO MAKE ONE MORE TRIP

G. T. P. Steamship Will Be Overhauled at Northern Terminal

Taking out a "good list" of passengers, the G.T.P. steamship Prince Rupert, Captain Duncan McKenzie, cleared port at 10 o'clock this morning for Seattle, en route North.

She will return here next Wednesday and on the completion of the following northern trip will be temporarily withdrawn from the coast service to undergo her annual overhaul at Prince Rupert.

December 23 is the date set for the withdrawal of the Prince Rupert. With one exception the G.T.P. steamers have been overhauled annually at Esquimalt, but this year the company proposes to dock the vessels at the northern transcontinental terminal.

During the absence of the Prince Rupert from the run the service will be maintained by the steamship Prince George, Captain D. Donald, making weekly sailings from Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver. The weekly sailings will be made from this port on Sunday, the mid-week sailing being temporarily abandoned. When the Prince Rupert is again put into service the Prince George will be withdrawn and overhauled at Prince Rupert. Each vessel, it is expected, will be out of service for about a month or six weeks.

## CANADIAN WIRELESS GOVERNMENT REPORT

December 17, 8 a.m.  
Point Grey—Misty; S.E.; 29.86; 46; thick seaward.

Cape Lazo—Cloudy; S.E.; light; 29.74; 46; sea moderate.

Pachena—Fog; S.E.; light; 29.77; 47; sea rough.

Estevan—Rain; S.E.; 29.88; 44; sea smooth.

Alert Bay—Overcast; S.E.; 29.44; 40; sea smooth.

Ocean Falls—Cloudy; E.; light; 29.57; 45; sea smooth. Passed in str.

Admiral Rodman, 7 p.m., southbound.

Triangle—Fog; S.E.; 29.70; 45; sea rough. Spoke str. Prince George.

8.40 p.m. Millbank Sound, northbound.

Queen Charlotte Sound, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.42; 35; sea smooth. Passed out str.

Prince John, 8.30 p.m., southbound.

Spoke str. D.G.S. Estevan, 8.15 a.m., Queen Charlotte Sound, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Rain; calm; 29.42; 45; heavy swell.

Prince Rupert—Cloudy; S.E. gale; 29.30; 48; sea rough. Passed out str.

Venture, 8 p.m., southbound; spoke str. Gray, 8 p.m., at Klawdget Anchorage, northbound.

Neon.

Pachena—Fog; S.E.; 29.85; 48; sea rough.

Estevan—Misty; S.E.; 29.88; 45; thick seaward. Spoke str. Venture.

10.45 a.m. Millbank Sound, southbound; spoke D.G.S. Estevan, noon, abeam Scarlet Point, southbound.

Dead Tree Point—Cloudy; S.E. fresh; 29.44; 42; sea rough.

Ikedas Bay—Rain; calm; 29.46; 52; heavy swell.

Prince Rupert—Rain; S.E. strong; 29.32; 50; sea rough. Spoke str. Prince John, 11.25, Atli Inlet, southbound.

VESSELS' MOVEMENTS

Steamer arrivals, Dec. 16—Ryndam, at Rotterdam from New York; Onanis, at Halifax from Newcastle; Mattawa, at Halifax from London; Stratthote, at Halifax from Gibraltar.

Grangemouth, Dec. 15—Arrived: Colindo, Portland.

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Seattle, Dec. 16—Arrived: Str. City of Seattle, Southeast Alaska; U. S. training ship Brookdale, Nisqually, Salied; Str. Admiral Paragut, San Diego; Pasadena, Albion, West Port; Crescent City, Johanna Smith, Coast Bay; Lurline, Honolulu; Helen Drew, San Pedro; City of Topeka, Portland; Brooklyn, Bandon; Salied; Phoenix, Greenwood; Captain A. Luce, Bremerton; Klamath, Seattle; Tiger, Chemulpo; E. S. Loop, Puget Sound.

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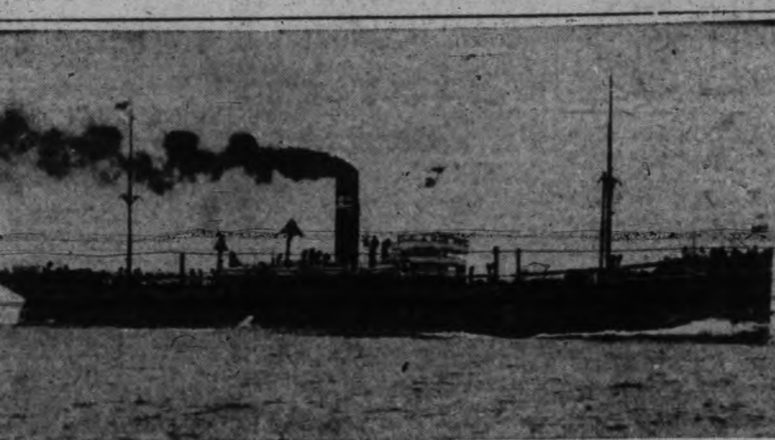
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### Births, Marriages, Deaths

**DIED.**  
MARTY—On the 15th inst., at the residence of his step-son, James Bellanger, 1111 MacKenzie Street, the death occurred of Edward W. Marty, aged 46 years; born in Newfoundland, and a resident of this city for the past twenty-five years. Deceased was the beloved husband of Mrs. Marty, and is survived by his widow, two step-sons and two step-daughters.  
The funeral will take place on Friday, December 19, the corpse being taken to the Sands Funeral Chapel at 10:15 o'clock. Fifteen minutes later Mass will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Cathedral by the Rev. Father MacDonald. Interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

### OBITUARY RECORD

The death occurred last Sunday morning of Down Peebles, the seven-day-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Peebles, of 3290 Dublin Road. The funeral took place yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the Sands Funeral Chapel. Interment was made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The late Farquhar Macrae, whose funeral took place from the Sands Funeral Chapel yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, was well known to old-timers in Victoria and district, having resided here for the past twenty-nine years. He was a native of Inverness, Scotland, and eighty-three years of age at the time of his death. From the Old Land he went to New Zealand in 1863 living there for twenty-seven years before he decided to come to Canada. He resided in Victoria in 1890, and very shortly after settling here was appointed police magistrate for the city, an office which he filled with distinction for some nine years. Resigning of office as police magistrate, he practised law for a short time in the city before his permanent retirement from public life fifteen years ago.

The death occurred last evening at the residence of his step-son, James Bellanger, 1111 MacKenzie Street, of Edward W. Marty, aged eighty-six years. Born in Newfoundland, he had been a resident of this district for the past fifteen years. Deceased was the beloved husband of Mrs. Mary A. Marty, and is survived by his widow, two daughters, Mrs. A. Stevens and Mrs. J. Hartney, both of North Vancouver; also two step-sons, A. Bellanger, in Oakland, Cal., and J. Bellanger, of this city. The remains are resting at the Sands Funeral Chapel. The funeral will take place on Friday, leaving the Sands Funeral Chapel at 10:15 for St. Andrew's Cathedral, where Mass will be celebrated by the Rev. Father MacDonald. Interment will be made at Ross Bay Cemetery.

The remains of the late Charles Opperman, whose death occurred at St. Joseph's Hospital on Monday, will be forwarded by the Thomson Funeral Co. to Blaine, Washington. Mr. C. H. Green will accompany the remains.

The death occurred early this morning at his home on Blanshard Street of John Merryfield, an old resident of this city, aged sixty years. The remains are at the Thomson Funeral Home pending funeral arrangements.

The funeral of the late Alfred James Beadle took place yesterday afternoon from the Thomson Funeral Home, 1625 Quadra Street, proceeding to St. Michael's Church, Royal Oak, where service took place at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. C. R. Little officiating. Many friends attended the service, and the floral offerings were very block from the Thomson Funeral Home. The remains are at the Thomson Funeral Home pending funeral arrangements.

The funeral of Yuen Yen took place this morning at 10 o'clock from the

### DR. PRINGLE WILL

#### SPEAK FRIDAY

Moderator of Presbyterian Church to Spend Week-End Here

Lieut.-Col. the Rev. John Pringle, M. A., D. D., Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, now touring the western provinces in the interests of the Forward Movement, will spend this week-end in Victoria.

One of the most romantic of ecclesiastical figures few men are better known throughout Canada than the hardy and perennially youthful padre of the Klondike and the great

### GOLF LINKS OPEN

The Victoria Golf Club committee announces that the links are again playable after the severe frosts, and will be open to players to-morrow morning.

### PEACE LUNCHEON

#### ENDS SPLIT IN NEW CIVIC PARTY

Fresh Platform to Be Formulated on Which to Oppose "Old Guard" at City Hall

### GRIFFITH PROPOSALS PUBLICLY REPUDIATED

The split between the Griffith and the other factions in the Business Men's Party, which, yesterday threatened to disrupt and bring to an end the whole plan of the organization "for sweeping the municipal elections next month," was terminated by a luncheon at the Dominion Hotel this afternoon.

The terms of agreement between the factions include complete repudiation of the proposals for the abandonment of the construction of the Johnson Street bridge and the plan for returning to property holders what they have paid for improvement charges since 1912. The statement was given out that the Griffith proposals "were never taken seriously by members of the organization, and were formulated merely to provide a basis of discussion."

The luncheon to-day served as a final opportunity for discussion of the plans for the campaign before George McGregor, the mayoralty candidate, leaves for California to-day. Before the end of the week, it is expected, that a complete new programme will be formulated on which Mr. McGregor supported by ten alderman candidates will appeal to the electors. Mr. McGregor is going to California to rest up for the campaign, and to get the opportunity to work undisturbed on his platform and speeches. He will return to Victoria about January 1.

**Want Commission Government.**  
The general policy on which the platform will be based was decided on at the conference this afternoon, although Mr. McGregor told those attending the meeting that he would not be bound by the platform formulated. He said he reserved to himself the right for free action.

The features of the programme of Mr. McGregor and his supporters are to be the demand for "a strictly business administration at the City Hall, the introduction of a city manager, the ending of the kindergarten methods and politics on which the present Council is operating."

**"Everybody New Happy."**  
Among those at the peace luncheon besides Mr. McGregor were: J. A. Griffith, W. S. Terry, E. S. Woodward, J. H. Talling, Dr. Hayner, J. A. Griffith and several others.

They decided that it would be useless to go further unless complete public repudiation was given to the Griffith proposals. When Mr. Griffith and his supporters agreed to this, they were accepted back into the organization, and it was announced "that the row is all over, everybody is happy, and we are now going out to win and clean up the City Hall."

Ex-Mayor A. E. Todd had a lengthy conference with Mr. McGregor to-day about the mayoralty campaign. As a result of this conference it was said that Mr. Todd is to come out in open support of Mr. McGregor, and to further his candidature will likely come out as an aldermanic candidate himself.

Further nominations were discussed at the luncheon to-day. It is likely that the complete aldermanic slate will be issued on Friday.

**Not Forming Third Party.**  
Alderman John Harvey said to-day that it was not right that he was completing the organization of a third municipal party to fight the business men's ticket and the "old guard" at the City Hall, which it is alleged have been persistently uniting to oppose measures he has brought up. The conference he had some time ago with J. A. Shanks, who is also out for the Council, and about which persistent rumors have been flooding the City Hall, was really nothing more than "chewing the rag," he says. The talk was informal, nothing definite proposed, and nothing definite sought to unite the two forces to gain control of the City Council, with the object of securing a solid backing for Harvey, measures.

**To Remain Independent.**  
"I came out as an independent to break through all cliques," said Alderman Harvey, "and I intend to remain independent. I made tremendous sacrifices in the Council because I dared to get up and say things that other aldermen didn't want said. After I have made these sacrifices I don't think it quite right, and it is pretty hard, to say the least, that I should have both these municipal political organizations down on me. I have made a tremendous sacrifice and the result, I suppose, is the price I have to pay for daring to come out. But there is not enough money to buy

me and the English language has not enough words to scare me."

Also Independent.

Mr. Shanks announced to-day that he is to remain an independent candidate, standing for a second term for Mayor Porter, and the immediate construction of the Johnson Street bridge. He was busy working on his platform to-day, one of the chief planks of which is to be the ending of "filling up the City Council with retired men, who are more tired than anything else."

Mr. Shanks declared that to preserve his strict independence he must be forced to turn down the offer of association with Alderman Harvey proposed "for mutual support."

**Likely School Board Candidate.**  
Although no definite announcement has yet been made, those in close touch with the business men's organization declared that Mr. Hayner is certain to be one of the candidates for the School Board.

**Not in Field.**  
Comrade Frank Slavin, M.E., advocate of the proposal of tunneling Victoria harbor, announced definitely to-day that he would not be an aldermanic candidate. He was offered one of the returned soldiers' nominations, but found that he could not accept because he has not the property qualifications.

"I am now keeping myself for the next Provincial elections in which I shall be a candidate," he said. W. W. Northcott, former city assessor, who was widely desired as an aldermanic candidate has now definitely retired from the field, having accepted the office of returning officer for the election.

### R. MACNICOL ENTERS CONTEST IN SAANICH

Returned Soldier Out For Police Commissioner; Has Interest in Municipality

A contest for the vacancy in the Saanich Police Commission is now practically assured. The retiring member, J. Owens, is contesting the seat with R. Macnicol, a busy returned soldier and is likely to be nominated for the vacancy.

Mr. Macnicol has resided in the ward since 1912 and has the advantage of having had experience in one of the hardest fought election campaigns which ever took place in Saanich. He acted as secretary of the local War Veterans Association, which succeeded in the face of strong opposition in electing a full ticket of Reeve and Council in the 1914 election. He has taken a very keen interest in local municipal affairs, and if the war had not intervened it is quite possible he would have been nominated for public office at a previous date.

Macnicol enlisted in 1914 and held the rank of Regimental Quartermaster Sergeant with the Western Scots and was wounded in the Battle of the Somme in October, 1916. He was unable to return to the front and was placed on duty in England. He returned to Canada in December, 1918, and since his return has at all times manifested a deep interest in the re-establishment of the returned soldier.

Mr. Macnicol is a member of the Executive Council of ex-Servicemen (Victoria), honorary secretary of the Widows' and Orphans' Relief Fund, and the secretary of the local Association of the Western Scots' Battalion.

### NEWSPRINT CRISIS IN UNITED STATES

Washington, Dec. 17.—Every newspaper in the United States was called on to-day by the House Postoffice Committee to reduce its consumption of newspaper print by ten per cent. for a period of six months in an effort to relieve the present serious shortage, which the Committee has been told threatens the destruction of a number of small papers.

Voluntary co-operation of publishers would obviate the necessity for repressive governmental action, said the Committee's statement. Members of the committee said that if the publishers carried out the voluntary consumption plan, further action on the Anthony Bill to limit the size of newspapers and periodicals would be postponed.

### GIBBONS TAKES EIGHT IN TEN-ROUND BOUT

Portland, Ore., Dec. 16.—Tommy Gibbons, St. Paul, lightweight defeated Jimmy Darcy, of Portland, here to-night in a ten-round fight. Gibbons outpointed Darcy in all except the third and fourth rounds, when the honors were even. Darcy was on the defensive most of the time. Bobby Ward, of St. Paul, lost a close decision to Stanley Willis, Portland lightweight, in eight rounds. George E. Rait, of Portland, featherweight, lost a close eight-round decision to Neal Zimmerman, Portland.

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### RUSSEL TESTIFIES REGARDING UNREST

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—Low wages, refusal of the employers to recognize trade unionists and the Order-In-Council prohibiting strikes were the reasons for unrest among the workers in 1917 and 1918 leading up to the general strike in Winnipeg in 1918, according to the evidence given by R. B. Russell, charged with seditious conspiracy, on the stand to-day as witness in his own behalf.

Russell's evidence throughout was in the nature of a justification for the formation of the One Big Union and its aims and objects. He characterized the movement as industrial unionism. In referring to the Government Railway Board, he said the Government representative, Hon. Arthur Meighen, Minister of Interior, in answer to a refusal of the railway shompen to accept the award of the Board in 1918, said that the workers would be put in khaki and forced to work.

It was stated on good authority to-day that Harry Dushak, the witness for whom a bench warrant was issued yesterday, had been located in Winnipeg.

### BIG PRICES AT CHICAGO THEATRES

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Two leading Chicago theatres to-day announced an increase in the price of tickets for the New Year's "Eve" performances from \$2.50 to \$11, including war tax. The others will raise admissions from \$2.50 to \$6.00.

Prospective absence of wine suppliers at cafes and restaurants on the last day of the year with the consequence of amusement seekers turning to the theatres was the reason ascribed for the changed prices.

### WEATHER IMPROVES.

Spokane, Dec. 17.—Thawing temperatures and rain marked the close of sub-zero temperatures in this region to-day. The local weather office reported a "slight" chinook over this section. The temperature here was above 32 degrees above zero, and reports indicated a lack of sub-zero weather in the northwest.

### HALF A MILLION IS CHAMPION'S DEMAND FOR WORLD'S TITLE

San Francisco, Dec. 17.—If the successful promoters of the world title fight between Jack Dempsey and Georges Carpentier realize \$1,000,000 Dempsey will demand \$500,000, Jack Kearns, his manager, said here to-day.

### BICYCLE INVENTOR DIES.

Minneapolis, Dec. 17.—Frederick Lowe, credited with being the inventor of the first bicycle, a huggy wheel in front and a small wheel in the rear—is dead at his Minneapolis home, 3116 E. 25th Street. He was sixty-seven years old.

While he was a boy in England Lowe constructed the crude model of a bicycle which was destined to revolutionize transportation as the forerunner of the automobile. When he was twenty-five years old he came to the United States and gave his patent over to the Pope Manufacturing Company. He arrived in Minneapolis in 1881.

In his first public performance on Bridge Square, Mr. Lowe was threatened with arrest by Policeman Peter McCurn. He was allowed to continue through the intervention of a Washington Avenue merchant. Later he organized riding clubs.

Mr. Lowe was born in England, September 18, 1852. He was married to Sarah Adams at Birmingham, March 16, 1873. He was a resident of Minneapolis thirty-eight years and is survived by his wife, a daughter, Mrs. Lee Eyerley, of Spokane, Wash.; three sons, Harry and Frederick, of Minneapolis, and Walter, of Portland, Oregon.

### CLERGYMAN BANKRUPT.

London, Dec. 17.—The ever unfolding tales of distress among the British clergy are regarded as a national scandal. A pitiable tale of poverty and struggling to keep up appearances was told when the Rev. J. B. M. Chaplin, vicar of Hubberholme, was sued for bankruptcy.

Chaplin said that he never had more than \$150 a year until temporarily became vicar of Arncliffe at \$1,500 a year. After that he became vicar of Hubberholme at \$1,000 a year.

At Warrington as a curate he furnished a home, paying on the installment plan and borrowing from money lenders.

To educate and maintain his four children his wife had done nursing and was now a waitress in a London restaurant. He and his wife had suffered at times from lack of bare necessities. His furniture had been sold and at present there was only a bedstead, a chair and a table at the vicarage. The official receiver declined to call him a bankrupt and said that if Christianity did not make the clergyman so poor that the clergy were better paid humanity ought to do so.

### FREIGHT EMBARGO.

Spokane, Dec. 17.—An embargo on all eastbound freight traffic through here excepting food, perishable freight, livestock, food and paper stock was effective here to-day on all railroads.

The purpose was declared to be to give the railroads an opportunity to recover from the effect of the fuel shortage and the recent cold weather.

### NO SALE OF BIG RANCH TO JAPANESE

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—Regarding a report that Japanese might acquire the 13,000-acre Goldstream Ranch near Vernon, B. C., the Consul for Japan here stated that to the best of his knowledge there is no truth in the rumor. Five months ago, the Consul explained, J. F. Kenaway, representing Lord Cowdray and Mr. Buchanan, owners of the estate, approached him with the idea of interesting Japanese capitalists in the purchase of the property. No buyers could be found in Canada, said Mr. Kenaway. Providing the consent of the Provincial and Federal Governments was secured, and that no opposition would be encountered locally, Mr. Uchida agreed to lay the matter before Japanese financiers. In view of the fact that these assurances were not given by the representatives of the Cowdray family, the Consul has taken no further steps in the transaction.

The Japanese do not desire to purchase property, the acquisition of which is opposed by public sentiment, said the Consul.

### MANUFACTURERS TO MEET IN VICTORIA

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—At least one session of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association convention to be opened in Vancouver next June will be held at Victoria. Such is the interest being taken in the convention that the eastern manufacturers have signified a desire to spend more time than it was first intended in studying the export problems of the trans-Pacific trade.

The more adequately to consider local conditions it has been decided to hold a business session at the capital. There will be no curtailment of the sessions originally planned for Vancouver.

### PASSPORTS MUST BE PROPERLY VISED

Seattle, Dec. 17.—Instructions have been sent to all American consular offices abroad to notify steamship companies not to take passengers for the United States unless their passports have been properly vided, according to word received by the foreign trade bureau of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce from Harry B. Brown, Washington, D. C., representative. This action will do much toward ending complaints that passengers bound for the United States have been detained at Vancouver, B. C., because of irregular passports, officials of the bureau said.

### J. ARNOLD GILROY BELIEVED DROWNED

Vancouver, Dec. 17.—J. Arnold Gilroy, of Chicago, whose parents live in Victoria and whose wife's parents are in Vancouver, is believed to have been drowned by falling through the ice of the Illinois River, near Lincoln, Ill., according to advices received here to-day.

### POTATOES FROZEN.

Chehalis, Wash., Dec. 17.—Fifty per cent of the potatoes held in storage for later shipment in the Chehalis district have been lost through freezing temperatures during the recent cold snap, according to A. E. Pellom, a Chehalis dealer.

### POUND STERLING AT \$3.86 ON MARKET AT NEW YORK TO-DAY

New York, Dec. 17.—The pound sterling was at \$3.86 here to-day. The exchange rate for francs was 10.40 and for lire 12.90. The German mark brought 2.12 cents.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Because of the extreme fluctuations in the quotations in New York exchange, Canada has suspended temporarily the issue in that country of money orders on the United States, the Post-office Department announced to-day. The Department was advised that the suspension was a short period, until conditions became somewhat more stable.

### SATURDAY'S SOCCER.

Next Saturday's games were announced as follows at the league meeting last evening. Army and Navy vs. Comrades at Work Point. Referee, Duggan. K. O. C. vs. Yarrowa at Beacon, upper pitch. Referee, Fagan. G.W.V.A. vs. Harbor Marine, Central Park. Referee, Locke. Foundation vs. Wests at Athletic Park. Referee, Jones. North Wards a bye.

Intermediate Wests vs. Postal Service at Beacon Hill, lower pitch. Referee, Oliver. Upper pitch. Referee, Fagan. Yarrowa vs. Army and Navy at Jubilee Hospital. Referee, Stokes. Metropolis vs. Saanich Rovers at Willows. Referee, Langton. Firemen, a bye.

**Referee Selection**  
A. C. Hill, league secretary, to clear up any misunderstanding, announces that the choice of referees is left to the president and secretary of the league.

### BRITISH TRADE AT PEAK.

During the ten months ending with October, writes A. D. Noyes in The New York Evening Post, England's total export of manufactured goods increased \$154,900,000 over 1918, of which great increase, \$83,000,000 came from textile manufactures, \$19,700,000 from iron and steel goods and \$14,500,000 from hardware and machinery. The increase was expected, the greater part of the total \$232,700,000 increase in her imports was in raw material of manufacture, of which the country received in those ten months \$145,000,000 more than the year before. Import of cotton and wool alone increased \$77,800,000. It is an interesting fact that the period's \$492,378,000 export of manufactured goods, from England is in actual

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values much the largest in the country's history, comparing with \$345,327,000 in the same ten months of 1918. The increase from that year does not equal the rise of 100 per cent, or more in average prices, but it shows what industrial and commercial England is about.

### WHAT HE SAW.

"Do tell me something about Mr. Oldipo's latest play," said the young lady on the bottom stair at the dance. "They say the climax at the close of the third act is superb! Won't you describe it to me as you saw it?" "It will," grimly consented the young man with the split white gloves. "The heroine came slowly on, and knelt, dagger in hand, behind a clump of pink ribbons. Then the hero emerged from a large bunch of purple flowers, and as soon as she perceived him she fell upon him, stabbed him twice with a handsome hatpin, and he sank back into a beautiful aigrette."

"What in the world are you talking about?"

"Well," replied the narrator, "you see, the lady in front of me refused to remove her hat, and that is how the scene appeared to me."—Tit-Bits.

## From Cherry-Blossom Land

The Japanese Give Good Example

It is a proverb of the Cherry-Blossom Land that beauty of face and figure depends on a woman's ability to keep her skin in its prime. What is it that makes our Canadian women so often pale, sallow-faced, with dark circles under the eyes, and very often old at forty-five when they should be in their prime? Women suffer in girlhood from backache, spine-ache and nervousness, and are plagued by irregularities and as a result diseases of the womanly organs are more common than any one but a physician in active practice could suppose.

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## SUN IS NO LONGER CENTRE OF UNIVERSE

Dr. Plaskett Gives Interesting Lecture on Development of Astronomical Research

No longer is the theory held that the sun is the centre of the universe. Astronomical research has discovered it to be off to one side.

This interesting announcement was made by Dr. Plaskett, director of the Dominion Astrophysical Observatory, in an illustrated address before the Royal Astronomical Society at the Girls' Central School last evening.

The doctor told of the wonderful progress which had been made during the past twenty-five years in the study of the universe. For 100 years the ideas propounded by Herschel were accepted. He held the opinion that the world was shaped like a grind-stone and he also handed down some very interesting information regarding the shape of the stars, but he was unable to say anything about their dimensions. During the past fifteen years, however, it had been made possible to measure the distance of the stars, and as a result there had come about a change in the ideas of present-day astronomers.

Dimensions increased. The belief is still held that the world is something about the shape advanced by Herschel, but as a result of the measurement of globular clusters at Mt. Wilson—the preconceived idea of the dimensions of the universe has been enlarged. This has caused the enlargement of all the dimensions of the universe.

Dr. Plaskett dwells on the Einstein theory of relativity, which had altered the theory of gravitation and changed all ideas of space and time, as well as modified all ideas of science.

A number of very interesting photographs of star clusters and diagrams of the universe were shown.

Officers Elected. As this was the annual meeting of the Astronomical Society the election of officers was held with the following results: Hon. president, Dr. Plaskett; president, Dr. R. K. Young; vice-president, J. Umbach; secretary, K. M. Chadwick; treasurer, J. P. Hibben; auditor, T. Shotholt; executive committee, Mrs. Christopher, Dr. Etta Denovan, F. C. Green, W. E. Harper, Capt. G. G. Aitken and G. S. McTavish.

## ASK EQUITABLE RATES ON FREIGHT ON P.G.E.

Delegation Puts Arguments Before Mr. Oliver, Who Promises Action

That more equitable treatment should be accorded Victoria firms in fixing freight rates on shipments on the Pacific Great Eastern Railway was the request laid before Premier Oliver yesterday afternoon by a delegation of business men composed of Colonel, the Hon. E. G. Prior, C. P. Schwengers and H. Goulding Wilson. Asking that through rates on freight from this city should be the same as those granted from Vancouver, the delegation pointed out that the C.P.R. and C.N.R. give this equal treatment on Victoria shipments to point on those lines within a certain radius of Vancouver.

The delegation stated also that the Northern Construction Company, the organization carrying on construction work on the line of the P.G.E. was not giving Victoria a fair opportunity to bid on supplies required by the company on its contract.

Regarding the question of freight rates, Mr. Oliver said he would write to the general manager of the railway to go fully into the matter and confer with the C.P.R. and C.N.R. companies with the object of drawing up a suitable schedule. Mr. Oliver also promised to write to the construction company and urge that, whenever possible, it should give Victoria firms an opportunity to bid on supplies.

## G. W. V. A. CANDIDATE

Comrade Gadsden Will Carry Veterans Colors in Forthcoming Municipal Election.

Comrade Gadsden has been selected as the standard-bearer of the G. W. V. A. in the forthcoming municipal elections, at the regular meeting of the association held last evening. The veterans hope that the name of their representative will be embodied in the business men's ticket.

Three additional seats on the Central Council have been given to the G. W. V. A., making their voting strength seven.

Major Macdonald, of the Imperial Forces Club, thanked the association for the interest it has taken in the welfare of the ex-Imperial soldiers residing in Canada. As a result of their efforts the former British Tommy is now on an equal footing with Canadian soldiers in respect of gratuity, pensions and allowances.

The unemployment situation was thoroughly discussed. No action was taken. The members decided to await the report of the shipbuilding delegation now visiting Ottawa.

Nipitt (leading the way to the hidden treasure)—Look out for the furnace pipes, Arthur. Low bridge!

## NOTICE

This store will remain open Saturday, December 20, Monday, December 22, Tuesday, December 23, Wednesday, December 24, until 9 p.m., and close Christmas Day and day following.

**Gordons Limited**  
739 Yates Street. Phone 5510

## Just Six More Days in Which to Do Your Christmas Shopping

Don't Forget the Baby at Christmas Time



Babies may not know that Christmas is being celebrated, but mothers do, and anything you give the baby on Christmas will certainly receive its due share of appreciation from the mother. We have plenty of useful gifts for baby—things that are dainty and attractive and that need not be expensive. For example, note these:

Pram Covers of crocheted wool in fancy knit; white with touches of blue or pink. These button on pad, can be removed for washing. Price, \$5.75 and \$6.75

Pram Covers of white blanket cloth, bound with satin ribbon; others are scalloped in pink and blue. Easily washed. Price, \$3.95 to \$4.50

Pram Covers of white bear skin. Some are bag style, others plain rug style, neatly finished with white felt, heavily padded. Price, \$5.75

Infants' All-Wool Mitts, in white with ribbon at wrist; made with or without thumbs. Price, \$1.50 to \$1.95

Infants' Wool Coveralls, with or without feet; plain white, heavy knit, with draw-string at waist. Sizes 1 to 3 years. Prices, \$1.50 to \$1.95

Infants' Wool Knit and Crochet Bonnets, in plain styles, with turnback revers, edged with pink or blue. Prices, \$1.25, \$1.35 and \$1.50

Infants' Wool Socks, in fancy crocheted or plain knit; knee length; white with pink or blue trimmings. Price, 95¢

Infants' Wool Jackets, in many styles; some with square yoke, others plain. They come in white with touches of pink or blue. Price, \$1.50 to \$2.25

Infants' Toques, in soft wool or silk and wool mixture, plain style, with button or pom-pom on top. Plain white only. Price, 95¢

Infants' Record Books, in three different styles. Some with silk miter covers, with touches of hand-painting in pink and blue. These have colored illustrations and little verses. Price, 50¢, 95¢ and \$1.25

Celluloid Rattles in a host of dainty styles. Bell-shaped with soothing ring attached. Ball shaped with dainty ribbon on handles; daintily hand-painted; pink and blue. Price, 50¢, 85¢ and \$1.00

Bedtime Dolls, for kiddies, made of cotton with batting stuffing. The cover can be removed for washing. Made up in boy, girl, cat and dog styles. Price, \$1.75 to \$2.25

Celluloid Brush and Comb Sets, for infants, in white with dainty hand-painted floral designs. Some with brush, comb and soap dish; others with brush and comb. Prices, \$1.00 and \$1.25

Infants' Teething Sticks and Rings, made of bone with dainty ribbons attached; colors pink and blue. Price, 50¢

Infants' Hot Water Bags, small size, with screw tops. Made of strong rubber, finished with pretty hand-painted designs. Price, \$1.35

## Dainty Christmas Neckwear

Neckwear is always suitable and acceptable as a Christmas gift. Our stock is complete with collars, vests and Windsor ties. See these on display in the Neckwear Section, just inside the door.

Effective Collars, in many styles of round and roll effects; made of extra quality satin and silk vesting and pique. Price, \$1.00 to \$2.25  
Collar and Cuff Sets, of flannel and net, trimmed with Valenciennes lace. Price, \$1.75 to \$3.50  
Dainty Fichus of White Net; plain and lace-trimmed. Prices, \$1.50 to \$2.50  
Fancy Guimpes, of white and ecru net, Georgette and

satin; high and low collars. Prices, \$1.75 to \$5.00  
Vestees in satin and Georgette, with fancy lace trimming. Prices, \$3.50 to \$6.00  
Dainty Lace and Net Fancy Jabots, which come in white and ecru. These are exceptionally good values. Price, \$1.75 to \$4.00  
Cape de Chine Ties, in all fashionable shades. Prices, 85¢ to \$1.50



Father Christmas Will Be in Santaland on Thursday Afternoon at 2.30

BRING THE CHILDREN TO SEE THE TOYS.

## Offering Special Values in Household Linens

Hardly any gift appeals so strongly to the housewife as fresh, snowy table linens. Their intrinsic value is quickly appreciated, their usefulness is undoubted. We have just the kind you want to buy—whether they are for yourself or for gifts. The assortment is quite large enough, and consists of every good sort at a wide range of special prices.

## Fine Damask Napkins, Special for Thursday's Selling, 29c Each

Fine Damask Napkins, hemmed all ready for use. Come in assorted patterns. These are very exceptional value and are on sale all day Thursday. Each, 29¢. No phone orders.

## Tray Cloths

Size 15 x 20 inches, oval, embroidered, at \$5.50  
Size 16 x 20 inches, oval, embroidered, at \$5.50  
Size 18 x 27 inches, oval, embroidered, at \$1.35  
Size 17 x 27 inches, drawn thread work and embroidered, at \$7.50  
27-Inch Squares, embroidered centres, at \$1.50  
30-Inch Squares, hemstitched and embroidered, \$5.50  
30-Inch Squares, hemstitched and embroidered, \$5.50  
30-Inch Squares, hemstitched and embroidered, \$1.25

## Table Damask by the Yard in a Large Range of Patterns

Table Damask, half bleach, 56 inches wide. Yard, \$1.50  
Table Damask, full pure bleach, 60 inches wide. Yard, \$1.95  
Table Damask, full pure bleach, 64 inches wide. Yard, \$2.25  
Table Damask, full pure bleach, 72 inches wide. Yard, \$2.00

## Tray Cloths, Table Centres and Runners, Etc.

In beautiful designs and exceptionally good qualities, all at special prices.

## Damask Table Cloths

In Excellent Qualities and Designs. Special Values.  
Size 45 x 45 inches, \$2.50  
Size 54 x 60 inches, \$2.75  
Size 54 x 54 inches, \$3.50  
Size 72 x 72, Union Damask, at \$3.75  
Size 72 x 90, Union Damask, at \$4.50  
Size 72 x 108, Union Damask, at \$6.00  
Size 72 x 90, Damask, \$4.25

## Table Napkins

Size 19 x 19 inches, Table Napkins, Per dozen, \$3.75  
Size 20 x 20 inches, Table Napkins, Per dozen, \$5.00  
Size 22 x 22, splendid designs and rare quality. Per dozen, \$8.50



## Pretty Boudoir Caps

Exquisite Caps of white Brussels net, trimmed with satin ribbon and French flowers. Price, \$2.00

Pretty Boudoir Caps, of satin and lace, with soft ribbon bows. Price, \$3.75

White Net Caps, with satin ribbon trimming. Price, \$1.75

Several Styles of White Net Boudoir Caps. Price, \$1.00

## Our Special Purchase Sale of Ready-to-Wear Continues

Women's Coats—Values to \$65.00 selling for \$42.50  
Women's Coats—Values to \$55.00 selling for \$34.50  
Women's Coats—Values to \$39.50 selling for \$24.95  
Silk Poplin Dresses—Specially priced at \$14.95  
Silk Poplin and Serge Dresses—Specially priced at \$17.50  
Silk, Velvet, Jersey and Serge Dresses—Values to \$37.50 selling at \$24.95  
Silk and Serge Dresses—Values to \$45.00 selling at \$29.75

## Handsome and Exclusive Afternoon Dresses—New Arrivals, priced from \$39.50 to \$75.00

## Unusual Values in Millinery

Stylish Trimmed and Pattern Hats, regular to \$15.00. Selling at \$8.95  
Becoming Velvet Shapes and Semi-trimmed Hats, values to \$10.00. Selling at \$4.95  
Smart Shapes and Ready-to-Wear Hats, values to \$9.50. Selling at \$3.95  
New Arrivals in stylish Mid-Season Millinery, in beaver, plush and satin combinations—tricorn, mushroom, sailor and small turban styles, trimmed with georgette, ribbon and novelty stitching. Colors navy, brown, taupe and black. Specially priced at \$5.95

## Continuing To-day

The Special Purchase Sale of High-Grade Georgette Waists at \$12.95. Values up to \$25.00  
An abundance of new styles, in sizes 36 to 44.

## Scarves Are Practical Christmas Gifts

Pure Silk Ribbed Scarves, in new self shades of rose, turquoise, paddy and champagne, with long fringe ends. Price, \$6.00  
New Shades in Fancy Roman Striped Silk Scarves, finished with fringe ends. Price, \$5.75 and \$6.75  
Fibre Silk Scarves, in self shades of rose, Nile, maize, paddy, white, cerise, peach, cream, grey, black and pink; finished with fringe ends. Price, \$2.50 to \$3.50

## Pretty Frillings

New Organdie Frillings, in rose, maize, blue and white. Yard, \$1.00  
White Net Frilling, in all widths, hemstitched and vandyke point. Per yard, 50¢ to \$1.00  
Three-Inch Georgette Frilling, pleated with plain hem. Colors mauve, rose, flesh, sage and white. Per yard, \$1.75  
Wide Pleated Georgette, with soft ruching bands in flesh, yellow and white. Per yard, \$5.00  
Plain Pink and Yellow Georgette, with white lace edges. Per yard, \$4.25